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MINNESOTA WETS APPEAL FOR HELP AS DRYS MOBILIZE

"Moderation" Talent Imported
From Canada—St. Paul Mayor
Fights for "Clean City"

League Wants to "Restore Moral
and Civil Liberty" to American
People—Asks Beer and Wine

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 15 (Special).—To meet the dry wave expected to follow the state-wide law enforcement convention announced by Gov. J. A. O. Preus to meet Monday and Tuesday, next week, at which mayors, sheriffs, chiefs of police, county attorneys and educators will be present, anti-prohibitionists have put in an intensive period of meetings and speech-making, have brought down Canadian "moderation" talent from Manitoba to assist them, and have effected what they declare is an amalgamation of all wet orders in the State.

Leaders of the former two anti-prohibitionist organizations in Minnesota, neither of which had success in the past, have been won over to a new society, The Moderation League, said to have branches in 18 states. The league has succeeded the Sanity League and the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, as the State's wet order, and in so doing has fallen heir to the services of Horace G. Whitmore, veteran wet propagandist of the Twin Cities, formerly connected with both of the older groups, and now executive secretary of the league.

"Moral Plane" Talked Of

At a recent meeting of the Moderation League in St. Paul, F. W. Russell, of Winnipeg, chairman of the Manitoba Moderation League, an organization after whose pattern it is said the United States group is formed, predicted that the "passing of prohibition would eliminate the bootlegger." Like some "professional American wets" he sought to lift the liquor traffic to a height it never feels comfortable at, that of a high moral plane.

John A. Seeger, president of the St. Paul Association, the city's leading civic body, was elected district chairman, Dr. Edward Klavens, Monticello, formerly national medical advisor of the Sons of Norway Lodge, is state president of the Moderation League, James A. Nowell, St. Paul, is first vice-president, and E. W. Diercks, Minneapolis, second vice-president.

The league's "wet modification," rather than repeal of the Volstead Act, 4 or 5 per cent beer, 14 per cent wine, and the sale of intoxicants under Government distribution, "for use in the home only," Mr. Whitmore explains. By these expedients, he says, the Moderation League "will restore to the American people their moral and civil liberty."

While the wet forces have been doing their best to consolidate their position in the State, strong pressure

Freedom From Bootleggers Pledged When Republicans Meet at Cleveland

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 15.—Prohibition laws will be strictly enforced during the Republican national convention at Cleveland, June 10, B. F. McDonald, state prohibition director, announced today. "The Republicans are entitled to strict enforcement of the prohibition laws," he said. He indicated that some of his most efficient enforcement officers will be assigned to Cleveland during the convention.

It was indicated that Frank Evans, a Republican, who has been charged with some of the most important raids conducted by Mr. McDonald's office, will be sent to Cleveland. Mr. McDonald asserts large conventions in Cleveland heretofore have attracted large numbers of bootleggers and caused customary rules of conduct to be forgotten.

VENIZELISTS AGREE ON CANDIDATES LIST

Col. Plastiras Arbitrates on Disunion — Government Embarrassed Over Elections

By Special Cable
ATHENS, Dec. 15.—The Venizelist disunited factions have finally agreed to a list of fusion candidates made up by Colonel Plastiras' arbitration. Eleutherios Venizelos, Colonel Gonatas, Mr. Cofinas and Dr. Apostolos Doxiadis included. The general situation remains uncertain and the Government is embarrassed as to what its next move will be after the elections on Sunday. It is believed that a political Cabinet will be formed immediately after the elections of anti-Constantinists under Colonel Gonatas but there is a considerable faction which demands a Cabinet under Liberal leadership with Republican cooperation, postponing the settlement of urgent questions until the Assembly convenes, while others express a desire to see Alexander Zaimis form an anti-Republican Cabinet aided by orthodox Venizelists.

But Colonel Plastiras declares that a new Government shall not be formed before the convocation of the assembly, as the respective forces of each party cannot be known before Friday next, adding that the date of convocation of the assembly shall not be put off longer than a nine days period which is strictly necessary to permit the actual Government and the revolution to settle certain important questions. Colonel Gonatas on his part declares that if the elections return an imposing majority the strongest party can immediately form a new Government without awaiting the Assembly's convening; if on the contrary party forces remain on an approximate equilibrium, the new Government will be formed only after the election of the Assembly's president, which will exactly level the respective force of each party.

Anti-Royalist circles assert that new activity on the part of the Royalists is calculated to produce disturbances

Would Unite All Arabs



King Hussein
Cherishes Ambition to Become Head of a
Great Federation of Arab States

GREATER ARABIA, KING HUSSEIN'S AIM

Hedjaz Ruler to Tour Coastal
Region and Obtain Views of
Prominent Arabs on Treaty

By Special Cable
CAIRO, Dec. 15.—King Hussein is soon to leave Mecca for a 40 days' tour from Jiddah along the Hedjaz littoral to Akaba, and thence to Maan in Transjordan, where he will meet his son, Abdullah, the ruler of Transjordan. Considerable interest attaches to the trip since King Hussein rarely leaves Mecca, while the present political situation lends significance to the journey.

The Anglo-Hedjaz treaty recently negotiated by King Hussein's London representative, is now practically ready for signature and it is likely that King Hussein wishes to obtain the views of prominent Arabs in neighboring territories before authorizing its signature.

Despite the undisguised hostility of neighboring rulers, King Hussein still cherishes the ambition to become head of a great federation uniting all the Arab peoples, while the growing unrest among non-Turkish Moslems regarding the Angora Government's handling of the Caliphate question helps to increase King Hussein's importance even if, as he declares, he does not entertain ambitions toward the Caliphate.

Hitherto King Hussein has not persuaded the British Government to acknowledge his suzerainty over Palestine, and this question has been one of the most difficult between the two governments, although it was reported to have been settled in the recent negotiations.

During his visit to Transjordan, King Hussein probably will meet many notable Palestinian Arabs, and his tour may have results on the orientation of political parties in the Holyland.

Anyhow, whatever results accrue, undoubtedly the purpose of the tour is to see how the land lies in connection with King Hussein's ambition to bear the title of King of all the Arabs.

ITALY STILL CLAIMS RIGHT TO A VOICE IN TANGIER DISPUTE

By Special Cable
ROME, Dec. 15.—Great surprise is expressed in Rome official quarters that the draft statute for Tangier has not been as yet officially communicated to the Italian Government, which still claims the right to make Italy's voice heard in the Tangier question as one of the co-signatories to the Act of Algeiras.

Further, Raymond Poincaré's note to Benito Mussolini, in which the former states his reasons why Italy is excluded from the conference has been received most unsatisfactorily by the whole Italian press. The hope is still entertained that Spain will raise objections to the draft statute.

The correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor understands that as a last resort Italy, on the ground that the Tangier problem has an international character, will suggest that the problem be submitted to the League of Nations for final decision.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE URGES FORMATION OF LABOR CABINET

Ex-Premier Explodes Political
Bombshell by Statement Concerning
Liberal's Attitude

By Cable from Monitor Bureau
LONDON, Dec. 15.—A bombshell exploded in the Liberal camp here today when Mr. Lloyd George came out with a published statement purporting to explain what the Liberal Party's attitude toward the Government and Labor should be when Parliament re-assembles. This is a matter on which Herbert H. Asquith has not yet pronounced and whether or not Mr. Asquith will accept the leading of his impetuous second in command or take the more cautious course of postponing matters until Parliament re-assembles has now to be decided.

Mr. Lloyd George emphatically rejects the possibility of co-operation between the Conservatives and the Liberals and plumps for putting in Labor, his view being that if Labor is prepared to take office its accession is inevitable "unless the spirit of the Constitution is to be violated." It has yet to be seen, however, whether he can carry this as many Liberals are still hesitating as to the future policy of the Liberals as a party, but also whether it is to be Mr. Lloyd George or Mr. Asquith who is to take the lead in laying it down.

Tuesday's Liberal meeting here, therefore, should be a critical one, as Mr. Lloyd George, as well as Mr. Asquith, is to address it. The points raised involve not only the future policy of the Liberals as a party, but also whether it is to be Mr. Lloyd George or Mr. Asquith who is to take the lead in laying it down.

The Cabinet is expected to re-assemble before Christmas to formulate the Conservatives' unemployment program and make other arrangements for the future, but at the moment little else is doing.

Ramsay MacDonald left last night for Lissieux, his native place in Scotland. Asked at the railway station here whether he expected to play golf he shook his head laughingly, recalling the fact that once upon a time during the war a golf club near his home objected to his membership on the ground of his political opinions. Times have now changed. The man who then was not thought worthy of membership in a small Scottish club is the prospective Prime Minister.

IRISH NATIONAL LOAN A NOTABLE SUCCESS

By Special Cable
DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—Commenting this week on the national loan, the Free State Minister of Finance went as far as to claim that there was such confidence in the country and willingness among all classes to supply whatever money is required to carry on the country's administration that he believed "whatever further sums we may require will be got inside the country." More than £11,500,000 has been subscribed by something like 22,000 subscribers and the result is that purchasers of more than £5000 stock will have their allotments reduced approximately 10 per cent.

The fact is that the Government has won the good will of the peaceful business element in the country, partly by its policy of retrenchment and its refusal to make any possible reduction of taxation. The pressing necessity of the hour has been the mother of discretion. The Free State Government which, two years ago, was prepared for the wildest flights of exuberant nationalism, now finds its wings clipped by circumstance and is a sadder and perhaps wiser bird.

DRY PARTY TO MEET IN JUNE

By Special Cable
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Displeased with what they described to be "dilly-dallying" of the Republican and Democratic parties with the problem of enforcing the laws against the liquor traffic, the National Committee of the Prohibition Party, in meeting here today, decided to call a convention of the party at Boston, June 4, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for President of the United States.

COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION PLAN URGED AS MASSACHUSETTS LAW

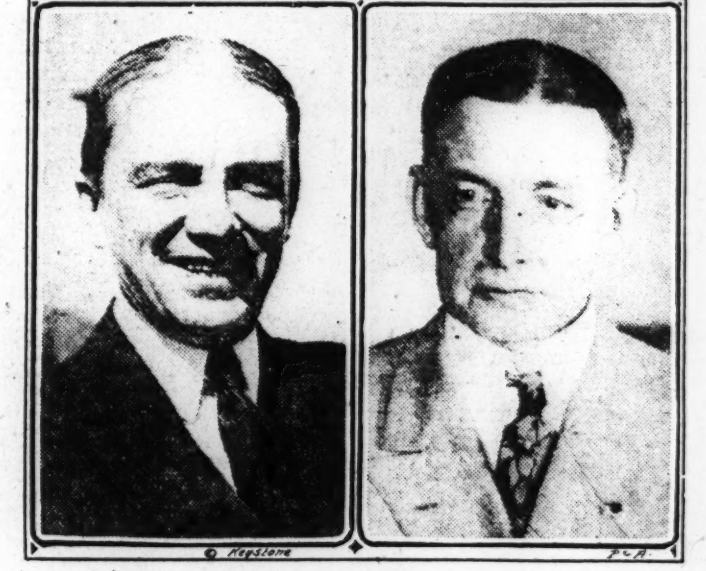
State Chamber Asks Amendment of State Constitution to
Validate Agreements Made Outside Courts

Thousands of dollars have been lost and undeterminable time wasted by the business men of the United States in settling commercial disputes through the ordinary processes of the law, and to the end that this uneconomical condition may be permanently corrected a nation-wide movement is now underway.

The plan is to write commercial arbitration into the common law of the various states and thus to give it the legal sanction necessary for enforcement. New York and New Jersey already have taken such steps. Massachusetts may be the next state to pass a constitutional amendment placing it in line with the movement.

Yesterday, at the Boston City Club, the Massachusetts State Chamber of Commerce held a conference on commercial arbitration. After listening to visiting speakers, who brought information as to the practical workings of the law in New York and New Jersey, together with its legal aspects, the chamber passed resolutions favoring amendment of the State Constitution whereby written agree-

COMMISSION ON REPARATIONS TO INVITE AMERICAN FINANCIERS TO ACT ON EXPERT COMMITTEES



Owen D. Young Gen. Charles G. Dawes
These Prominent Financial Lights Have Been Invited to Act on the Experts' Committees, Inquiring Into Germany's Economic and Other Conditions

Selection Falls on Gen. C. G. Dawes and Owen D. Young —France Lays Down Lines for Reviving Amity With Reich—Ruhr Evacuation Attitude Unchanged

By The Associated Press
PARIS, Dec. 15.—The Reparation Commission today officially announced that it would extend invitations to Gen. Charles G. Dawes, former director of the American budget, and Owen D. Young, New York lawyer and banker, to be the unofficial representatives of the United States on the expert committees which are to investigate Germany's financial position.

By SISLEY HUDDLESTON
By Special Cable
PARIS, Dec. 15.—Dr. von Hoesch visited Raymond Poincaré, the French Premier, this morning. Yesterday his demarche was to ask for this interview. He submitted propositions for general Franco-German negotiations relative to the whole problem of the Rhineland and the Ruhr Valley. He expressed the desire for the resumption of conversations which had been long interrupted in the absence of the German Ambassador from Paris and the unwillingness of France to enter into direct discussion with the German Government until passive resistance had ceased. There was much that was promising in this new getting

into contact, and it is hoped that serious talks will now begin.

M. Poincaré on his side is quite prepared to consider the possibility of a Franco-German arrangement, by which both countries may co-operate in restoring normal conditions. Germans today stated that the meeting was a test of whether France had, at the end of the Ruhr battle, constructive ideas and was ready to build up again. The French declared that it was a test of the good will of the German Government and that Berlin would be judged in accordance with whether the new move is a maneuver or a genuine attempt to meet the French view.

With regard to the lines on which France is prepared to proceed in these conversations, these were conveyed to the German representative as they had been conveyed to the French Ambassador at Berlin several days ago, as follows: The French Government recognizes that after the signing of the contracts by the industrialists and by the railroad administration passive resistance has ended. Negotiations therefore are entirely permissible, but it should be understood that there is a distinction drawn

MANHOOD SUFFRAGE PROMISED BY JAPAN; WOMEN MUST WAIT

By Special Cable
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Japan is to have manhood suffrage, according to official advices from Tokyo received here. The Government seems to have decided to urge the elimination of tax qualifications for voters, and to advocate extension of suffrage to all males above the present age limit. Although there has been agitation in favor of giving women the franchise nothing seems likely to be done in that direction in the near future.

The present limitation on suffrage has to do primarily with property qualifications. The election law has been changed several times since 1890, the last time in 1920, when the present law was formulated.

Numerous meetings of the House Committee on Revision of the Election Law have been held and it is believed that as a result of these conferences the Government has worked out a clear-cut program to be introduced among the first measures of the regular session of the Diet. Premier Yamamoto is understood to be entirely committed to this program.

OBREGON REGIME BACKED BY LABOR

Mexican Working Classes Reported Rallying as Unit in Favor of Present Government

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 15 (AP).—The laboring class of Mexico is rallying almost as a unit to the standard of President Obregon, according to a communique received here last night at the Mexican consulate-general from the Department of Foreign Relations at Mexico City.

One of the chief factors in arousing the loyalty to President Alvaro Obregon among the working class has been the report from Vera Cruz that supporters of General Guadalupe Sanchez and Adolfo de la Huerta had executed the president of the labor syndicate in Vera Cruz, the communique said.

The first contingent of laborers, the majority of which was composed of spinners from the State of Vera Cruz, has departed from the City of Mexico toward the vicinity of Orizaba for the purpose of engaging the Sanchez forces, the communique continues, and other laborers from Vera Cruz have

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BRITAIN PLANNING FULL RECOGNITION TO SOVIET RUSSIA

United Kingdom Likely to Out-
strip Italy in Diplomatic Ac-
tion Regarding Bolsheviki

Moscow Expected to Go Far in
Meeting Objections Raised by
Former Concessionaires

By Cable from Monitor Bureau
LONDON, Dec. 15.—Although negotiations are now going on in Rome with a view to de jure recognition of the Soviet Government by Italy, many people here believe that Great Britain, nevertheless, will be the first great power to give full diplomatic recognition to the Bolsheviki. It is noted that Rome dispatches indicate that Benito Mussolini's terms for recognition include considerable concessions in the Donetz coal basin and the Caucasian oil fields.

In both of these areas a considerable amount of foreign capital was invested in pre-Bolsheviki days—chiefly French and Belgian, but also some British. If the concession is actually granted, therefore, all the material for a first-class diplomatic crisis would be present should it be found that Italy would obtain rights over concessions granted under the Tsar to nationals in other countries.

Even in Bolsheviki circles here there is some skepticism about the value of the Rome negotiations and it is remembered that Signor Mussolini, though a virtual dictator, has elections to face in the near future.

On the other hand, the British elections are now over and both the Labor and the Liberal parties, which between them command a majority in the new House of Commons, have expressed their intention of recognizing the Russian Government forthwith. It is true there are serious difficulties to be got over, notably the position of former British concessionaires who want their properties back and the question of pre-war debts, municipal as well as state, for the latter of which the Soviet Government has already admitted liability "in principle."

Nevertheless, despite all the difficulties, the Bolsheviki are so anxious to get recognition that they are expected to go very far toward meeting the British wishes, even if they do not actually take the initiative in making the course smooth before the matter comes up for discussion in the British Cabinet, as it is almost bound to do next month.

Jugoslavs May Renew Relations

By Special Cable
BELGRADE, Dec. 15.—Well-informed circles declare that the Soviet Government has invited the Yugoslav Government to appoint delegates to start negotiations for a renewal of relations. The Soviet Government offers all guarantees against Bolshevist propaganda in Yugoslavia, but requests the disposal of the anti-Bolshevist organization of General Vranke. The Ministerial Council has not yet decided, but it is expected to take action soon. It is asserted that the Government will ask authorization from Parliament. Probably the Yugoslav Minister in Berlin will be appointed to carry on the negotiations.

SARGENT PORTRAIT TO GO TO HARVARD

President Lowell Is Sitting for
Famous Artist

Harvard University is to have a new painting by John Singer Sargent—a portrait of President A. Lawrence Lowell. Mr. Sargent does not say when he expects to complete the work, but from college authorities a representative of The Christian Science Monitor learned today that "sittings are well under way."

The picture will add another to the large collection of Sargent works now in Cambridge, which, with the paintings by Mr. Sargent in Boston, give this city a permanent representation of the artist's work.

The commission for the portrait of Dr. Lowell, which was made possible by an unnamed donor, provides that the completed work shall go to the University. It will make the third painting by the same artist of men connected with Harvard, the other two being of Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus, and Henry Lee Higginson.

The portrait of President Eliot, finished in 1907, now hangs in the trustees' room of Widener Library, and that of Mr. Higginson, finished in 1903, is in the Harvard Union. More recent works are the two war murals, entitled "The American Soldier Arrives" and "Death and Victory," which are on either side of the main stairway of Widener Library.

EGYPTIAN MINISTER SAILS

By Special Cable
CAIRO, Dec. 15.—Selim Youssouf Pasha, the first Egyptian Minister to Washington, sailed today for Cherbourg, France, whence he will embark aboard the steamship Majestic on Jan. 2, arriving in the United States on Jan. 10.

PARLIAMENT TO CONTINUE

LISBON, Dec. 15.—President Goncalves has refused to dissolve Parliament, a step which the late ministry requested him to take. Efforts are now being made to form a Cabinet to succeed that of Antonio Machado, which resigned on Thursday.

World News in Brief

Vienna (AP).—Dredges have been at work on the Danube, and this natural trade route through Central Europe to the Black Sea, Constantinople and Odessa has been greatly improved and developed. New boats with larger carrying capacity are being built for the spring trade, and the shipping facilities are being developed. Completion of the Danube-Rhine and the Danube-Elbe canals also will add to the river's importance as a shipping route.

New York.—Legal representatives of John C. Walton, deposed Governor of Oklahoma, have approached a law firm here with a view of seeking a review of his case before the United States Supreme Court.

Chicago.—The political party that shows itself uncertain on the prohibition issue "will be licked next November," Dr. Fred B. Smith, chairman of the Committee of Church Councils of America, declared at a law enforcement meeting here.

Buffalo.—Pioneer residents of the Niagara frontier have united in an appeal to the War Department for the preservation of "The Castle," an ancient building at Fort Niagara, erected by the French in 1725.

New York.—The 1923 Edison Medal, awarded by the Edison Medal Committee of The American Institute of Electrical Engineers, has been awarded John William Lieb of New York "for the development and operation of electrical central stations for illumination and power."

Paris.—The price of bread has been raised to 1 franc 20 centimes a kilogram. The authorities sanctioned the increase because of the rise in the price of flour.

Hamburg (AP).—Train travel in Germany during the coming winter is not promising. There are not many fast trains as formerly between the big cities; there have been other curtailments, and there are fewer sleeping cars. Outside the great cities the hotel accommodations also are far below those of normal times. There is little motor touring, and few foreign tourists are visiting the remote places of interest. Consequently hotels which once were acceptable are now very unsatisfactory.

New York.—Dr. John H. Finley, associate editor of the New York Times, has been elected president of the National Child Welfare Association. Dr. Finley formerly was Commissioner of Education for New York State. He has written several books on educational subjects.

New York.—One of the largest motion picture studios in the world will be built for the joint use of several big producers on an unnamed site in the borough of Queens, Arthur S. Friend, head of a large motion picture corporation, has announced.

Washington.—Funds for research work in many fields, including excavations in the holy city of the ancient Maya people in Mexico, have been provided by the Carnegie Institution, which has appropriated \$1,200,000 for next year's budget. The Maya explorations will be made at Chichen Itza, in Mexico. Dr. Sylvanus G. Morley will be in charge of the work, which is expected to reveal new facts about middle American antiquity.

Ottawa, Ont.—A registration of 514,000 motor vehicles in 1922 accords Canada second place among the great motor countries of the world. In the United States there is 1 car to every 10 people; Canada, 1 to 17; England, 1 to 26; France, 1 to 40; Germany, 1 to 60; Italy, 1 to 100, and Austria, 1 to 270.

Paris.—A delegation of 16 Arapahoe Indians from Wyoming, clad in full regalia, arrived in Paris yesterday. Their appearance caused such a commotion in the northern railroad terminus that traffic was held up for some time. Chief Old Eagle told interviewers that the delegation intended to ask the League of Nations to intervene with the United States Government so that Indians might have the same rights and privileges as other Americans.

Calgary, Alta.—Canada made a clean sweep of the oat awards at the International Live-Stock Show at Chicago, taking 28 of the 35 prizes. Alberta took eight out of a total of 11 first prizes, while Utah won Montana and one to Saskatchewan.

Washington.—Prediction that Henry Ford would declare himself for President "Coldest" was the report issued by 1924 was made at the White House by Burt D. Cady, Republican state chairman of Michigan. He said he did not speak either for Ford or for Coolidge, but voiced his own belief.

Regina, Sask.—The value of Saskatchewan crop for 1923 is placed at \$276,044,650, according to a report issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Of the 1923 crop, wheat contributed \$189,166,500; oats, \$55,985,000; barley, \$7,820,500; rye, \$4,633,500; and flax, \$9,168,250.

Bartlesville, Okla.—Delaware and Cherokee Indian tribes of Oklahoma soon will file claims against the Federal Government for recovery of \$24,000,000, which they say is due on deeds involving their lands.

SUFFRAGE PIONEER COMMENDS WEALTH DRAFT IDEA TO WOMEN

Mrs. Trout, in Chicago Address, Envisages Lasting Peace Only "Through United Efforts of All Mankind"

To the end that war may be made as repellent to all classes as it is to those who must fight, The Christian Science Monitor has proposed an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, expressed in substance as follows:

In the event of a declaration of war, the property, equally with the persons, lives and liberties of all citizens, shall be subject to conscription for the defense of the Nation, and it shall be the duty of the President to propose, and of Congress to enact, the legislation necessary to give effect to this amendment.

Special from Monitor Bureau
CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The proposed constitutional amendment requiring equal draft of means as well as men in the event of a declaration of war was commended to the consideration of Illinois women this afternoon by Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout, one of the leaders who pioneered 200,000 women of the State to equal suffrage victory some years ago.

Mrs. Trout, now a Florida resident, was guest of honor at today's luncheon of the Illinois League of Women Voters. In her address she said:

One encouraging sign of today is the universal plea for peace, voiced by men and women of all nationalities. From Mr. Edward W. Bok to the politicians, of all political parties, there seems to be a desire to evolve some plan by means of which the disagreements and misunderstandings between the peoples of the earth may be settled, and justly settled, without recourse to arms.

The Christian Science Monitor suggests that it might be a good thing to pass an amendment to our Constitution that in case of war would draft, not only men, but also capital and labor.

A prominent general, in commenting on the Monitor's suggestion, said "patriotism should not be penalized. We have in the past drafted lives, but not capital and labor. When you get a law passed that every man, woman, and child, every industry and bank account, will be mobilized on the instant war is declared—there won't be any more war."

Those who think today without prejudice must realize that we cannot as a Nation wash our hands of all the misery across the seas. Everlasting peace for which we pray can only come through the united efforts of all mankind. If we as women really care about the remaining people, there is one definite thing we can do to help. Let us stand united against the repudiation of European war debts.

Proposed Draft Amendment Is Declared to Approximate Kaiser's Preparedness Plan

Special from Monitor Bureau
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—J. A. H. Hopkins, chairman of the Committee of 48, discussing the proposed amendment to the Constitution providing conscription of wealth as well as men in the event of a declaration of war, declared:

The suggestion by the Christian Science Monitor of a constitutional amendment having for its object the prevention of war obviously emanates from the same source as the worthy conviction that war is not only a crime, but is one of the stupidest crimes imaginable, and is moreover thoroughly contrary to the teachings of Christ, whose doctrine that we should love our neighbors as ourselves and do unto others as we would have them do unto us stands in direct contradiction to everything that appertains to war.

But nevertheless the Monitor's suggestion involves a curious and unconscious contradiction in terms. The constitutional amendment it proposes is substantially as follows: "In the event of a declaration of war, the property, equally with the persons, lives, and liberties of all citizens shall be subject to conscription for the defense of the Nation, and it shall be the duty of the President to propose, and of Congress to enact, the legislation necessary to give effect to this amendment."

"Make War Unpopular"
Its purpose is to make war unpopular by conscripting not only the persons and the lives of our youth, but the fortunes, businesses, and the services of those who have heretofore not only been exempt in their persons but have also profited materially through the opportunities of war, which increase in geometrical progression as the death list increases.

The Monitor supplements this amendment with a further suggestion that Congress should enact legislation prohibiting the manufacture of arms or munitions by private corporations or for private profit at any time, and on the contrary the Government itself should provide all the necessary armaments for the production

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continue. To break it we must educate the public to the doctrine of the Golden Rule. We must make them feel, not as a sentimental suggestion, but as a business tenet which is vital to their life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. And we must give them the leadership which they are seeking, and which they require in order to place in our legislative halls men and women who will outlaw war, not simply because it is destructive of human life and property, but because it is unchristian, stupid and unworthy of the support of any intelligent individual.

My own feeling is that our first step must be the establishment of a political party free from the domination of Wall Street, through which such men and women may be elected to office; and that after we have elected them we should adopt a constitutional amendment providing that Congress shall not declare war nor the existence of a state of war until authorized by a two-thirds vote of the entire voting population of our country. In the meantime our task must be of an educational character. If, as a result of such a referendum, we find that more than two-thirds of our population desire war, then war will inevitably follow, and we shall know that our educational work is still unfinished.

LEAGUE COUNCIL CONSIDERS MEMEL

Dispute Over Baltic Port Is Before Delegates

PARIS, Dec. 15 (AP).—When the question of Polish rights in the former German port of Memel, on the Baltic, came up in the Council of the League of Nations today the conciliatory attitude of all the parties to the problem seemed to promise an eventual satisfactory solution.

The political difficulties created by the Lithuanian control of this former German seaport have been serious, because while the territory is considered undoubtedly Lithuanian in character it is of vital importance both to Poland and Lithuania as an outlet for the extensive commerce coming down the Niemen River.

The Council of Ambassadors early in the year gave Memel over to Lithuania, subject to certain agreements to be reached with Poland regarding Polish transportation rights, but in October the ambassadors passed the problem regarding the status of the port as concerning the Polish and Lithuanian transportation rights over to the League of Nations for solution, invoking Article XI of the League Covenant.

With today's discussion as a basis Mr. Blanco, the Uruguayan member of the Council, will bring in a report on the subject next week. In the discussion Lord Robert Cecil emphasized the fact that the Council of Ambassadors, in appealing to the League Council to attempt to settle the controversy under Article XI of the Covenant, did not imply that any one, especially Lithuania, was to blame for the differences that had arisen. Lord Robert remarked with what care President Wilson had drafted the article so as to bring out the friendly right of each member of the League to bring to the attention of the Council any question liable to disturb good relations.

Mr. Galvaneau, the Lithuanian Premier, said he would strive for a solution in a spirit of harmony. The council has privately decided, it was learned today, to postpone the settlement of the Sarre question until the March meeting, meanwhile continuing the present members of the governing commission in office.

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COMMISSION ON REPARATIONS TO INVITE AMERICAN FINANCIERS TO ACT ON EXPERT COMMITTEES

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between the questions which concerned the allies as a whole and questions which particularly interest France. Reparations proper are a matter for the Reparations Commission. The French Government will merely pass any suggestions made, to the commission, with whose work it cannot interfere. As for the Ruhr problem, the program, M. Poincaré stated, in the yellow book holds. There will be no evacuation except in proportion to the payments made by Germany. The French are determined not to allow their conduct to be put in question, nor, having received pledges by direct agreements with the industrialists, do the French propose to weaken them by an indirect and less precise understanding on these points with the Reich Government.

Reich Convenience Debatable
Nevertheless, with regard to the modes of occupation, it is admitted that the convenience of the local population and the Reich should be considered, and properly forms a subject of negotiations. It is possible that some head will be paid to German objections and observations concerning the contracts with the industrialists, provided that it is remembered that the fundamentals of these contracts shall not be challenged.

Again in regard to the Rhineland, the French declare that nothing can be changed with a view to an earlier evacuation. The occupation, it is contended, is under the treaty, which subordinates the withdrawal at stated epochs to fulfillment by Germany of the treaty clauses. The occupation of the left bank and the bridgeheads of the Rhine remains the chief guarantee of French security. It is useless, therefore, to put forward ideas intended to change the French intention. Further, it is impossible for France to make any bargains with Germany about the status of the Rhineland. France does not mean to intervene, although it is extremely interested in the future political regime of the Rhineland.

It is for the people themselves to decide freely what kind of a constitution they wish. Therefore, in so far as Dr. von Hüsch tried to place the discussions on this ground, he was clearly informed that the Rhineland's future was not a subject of arrangement between Paris and Berlin. These are the limits to the conversations which were laid down, but it is still felt that in spite of these negative remarks which have made a distinct advance toward each other, and, coupled with the prospect of the early constitution of the two committees of experts on which Americans will serve, a more cheerful tone is prevailing.

Italian Experts Selected

By Special Cable
ROME, Dec. 15.—The Italian experts on the committees of inquiry entrusted to examine into the financial and economic conditions in Germany are Albert Pirelli, Professor Flora and Mario Alberti, all three being well known in Italian industrial circles. Before leaving

ing Rome the experts will confer with the Premier, Benito Mussolini, in order to receive definite instructions.

Ruhr-Rhineland Separation Before France and the Reich

By Cable from Monitor Bureau
LONDON, Dec. 15.—It is felt here that the direct negotiations which begin in Paris today, between France and Germany, will hinge chiefly on the possibility of a compromise between the French desire for a complete separation of the Ruhr and Rhineland from the Reich and the natural German sentiment in favor of maintaining political unity. There is known to be a considerable body of public opinion in Germany which favors bowing temporarily to what it considers the inevitable, on the grounds that the Reich is at the end of its financial resources, and whatever happens now the inhabitants' patriotism is certain in the long run to bring about reunion.

Dr. Gustav Stresemann, the Foreign Minister, however, holds the opposite view and the British might be expected to regard the complete separation as a breach of the Treaty of Versailles, so the capitulation is generally regarded as unlikely.

On the other hand a satisfactory compromise between France and Germany would certainly make it easier for France and Great Britain to deal with the reparations question, for it would enable them to go round, instead of over the difficulty of the Ruhr occupation, which the British regard as an action taken outside the Treaty of Versailles and which consequently they cannot recognize. The difficulty, however, lies in the fact that the Germans do not recognize it either, nor have they admitted the legality of the Düsseldorf agreement between the former industrialists and the Franco-Belgian authorities. If this stumbling-block can be satisfactorily avoided and an agreement reached, the people here will be well pleased. Under the conditions which everywhere exist, the Reich can no longer bear the financial burden of supporting a popular district with hundreds of thousands of unemployed. In any case the negotiations are not looked on as in any way cutting across the committees of inquiry into German finances, as it is pointed out that President Coolidge, in approving the participation of American experts, expressly mentioned that the inquiries were approved by the German Government which could

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therefore scarcely try to throw them overboard before they begin.

There are several minor matters besides the vital questions of political status and financial autonomy, which, if cleared up, would assist rather than hinder the inquiries. Amongst them is the question of the repatriation of the Germans expelled for "political offenses," who number 147,000. Coupled with this is the release of those imprisoned by the French and Belgians for similar reasons, numbering 2800 more, 2200 having been already set at liberty.

VENEZILISTS AGREE ON CANDIDATES LIST

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during the elections, and the Royalists in turn accuse the Republicans and ascribe to them subversive schemes, for the realization of which they seek any pretext, adding that they have planned to declare a republic when the elections are partly through, without awaiting the total returns.

The Royalists announce their obstinacy in the elections and say they will keep to their houses during the elections, adding that they are taking measures to prevent any untoward events. The country's usual activities cease on Sunday and the circulation of all vehicles is prohibited. Colonel Plasiras has invited the population to vote for the parties approving the revolution, adding that any contrary act will cause fresh casualties worse than those resulting from November elections.

MR. CREAGER DECLINES POST
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—R. B. Creager of Brownsville, Texas, has declined for the present an offer of appointment as ambassador to Mexico. Announcement of Mr. Creager's decision was made today at the White House in a statement which said he was unwilling to give up at this time his duties as head of the Republican Party organization in that State. The statement did not say what action would be taken toward filling the Mexico City post.

TREATY BILL INTRODUCED
PARIS, Dec. 15.—A bill calling for the ratification of the Lausanne Peace Treaty between Turkey and the Allied Powers, was introduced today in the French Chamber of Deputies today. It is probable the discussion over the measure will be postponed until the new year.

COVERDALE VICTORY IN FARM FEDERATION SEEN IN APPOINTMENT

Special from Monitor Bureau

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—J. W. Coverdale, who was removed by the former executive committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation here, has been reappointed secretary-treasurer by the new executive committee of the board of directors. Mr. Coverdale's vindication was complete. He also was made director of organization, an added honor.

Action on the resolution presented by Walton Petet, former director of marketing, which sought indorsement and support for the national wheat growers advisory committee, in which Frank O. Lowden, former Governor of Illinois, Aaron Sapiro and other outside figures are interested, was deferred to the next meeting of the committee, which is set for Jan. 21.

Failure of this resolution to pass the board of directors at the convention caused Mr. Petet's resignation. The executive committee, however, reaffirmed its position on co-operative marketing and proposes to continue aiding in the formation of marketing associations where the producers desire help. The committee indorsed that U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., which recently began marketing wheat on a small scale.

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Short Mole Coat.....\$450
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Platinum Dyed Fox Scarf.....\$85 and \$110
Semi-Precious Jewelry (Street Floor)
Topaz Necklaces.....\$75 to \$250
Carnelian Necklaces.....\$42 to \$58
Amber Necklaces.....\$75 to \$175
Amethyst Necklaces.....\$66 to \$175
Semi-Precious Pendants.....\$18.50 to \$50
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Semi-Precious Finger Rings.....\$13.50 to \$58

Gloves for Women (Street Floor)
Strap Wrist Mocha Gloves, nutria lined, fur band on cuffs. Per pair.....\$14
Strap Wrist Mocha Gloves, knit wool lined, fur cuffs. Per pair.....\$11.25
Strap Wrist Mocha Gloves, knit wool lined, fur band on cuffs. Per pair.....\$10.25
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DR. ZOOK BACKS JUNIOR COLLEGES

Educator Points to Significant
Changes Pending in the
School System

Significant changes, including the development of junior colleges, may be impending in the present educational organization of the United States, according to Dr. George F. Zook, specialist in higher education at the United States Bureau of Education and director of the Massachusetts Commission on Higher Education, speaking this afternoon before the Massachusetts Schoolmasters' Club meeting, at the Boston City Club. His address is declared to embody much that is contained in the report of the commission to be submitted before the close of the present year. Dr. Zook said:

It is believed that the junior college movement means better trained men for subordinate executive positions in the industries, the unification of the six-year period of secondary education, the bringing of the first two years of college work within the reach of a greater proportion of the population, and finally, relieving the present universities and colleges from a large number of students who can be cared for as well, if not better, in local institutions.

The development of junior colleges will be along two distinct lines, the first being the first two years of the present liberal arts curriculum to be continued in the senior college or the bachelor's degree, or as the fulfillment of the two-year preprofessional curriculum now demanded by professional schools; the second being essentially a new type of vocational school, giving completion courses of study to high school graduates and others who have attained the age of 17 or more, as preparation to enter a variety of semiprofessional jobs which are especially numerous in an industrial state such as Massachusetts.

The junior college movement is based on the feeling that extending general among educators, that there is a very close connection between the work of the present four years of high school and the first two years of college, and that in fact these six years form a logical educational unit which has long been recognized in the secondary school system of most European countries.

Dr. Zook pointed out that the total enrollment at universities and colleges in the United States had grown from 123,566 in 1890 to 543,698 in 1922, or 340 per cent. During the same period the high school enrollment increased from 349,643 to 2,484,675, or 611 per cent, as against an increase of only 74 per cent in the general population. It is clear, therefore, Dr. Zook declared, that the nation is becoming better educated all the time. It is also clear that on account of the great increase in enrollment at the colleges as well as the secondary schools, significant changes, including the development of junior colleges may be impending in the present educational organization.

OBREGON REGIME BACKED BY LABOR

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presented themselves in the City of Mexico offering their services to the Government.

President Obregon, at the front of the military zone in the State of Jalisco, has raised courage among his troops, who are enthusiastic in behalf of victory as they advance toward Guadalajara, the communique stated.

Backed by American Labor
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—The Mexican Embassy has issued a statement quoting the following advice from the Government at Mexico City:

A letter addressed to the Mexican Federation of Labor by the American Federation, protesting against the rebellion and showing full sympathy with the constituted authorities of Mexico City, which was printed in Mexican papers, has caused an excellent impression in all sections of the country. . . . The Government at Mexico City is receiving numerous requests from laborers and private citizens from all over the country to be armed to fight the rebellion, a large number of them having left Orizaba to join the Federal Army.

"Mexico Needs Party Based on Old 1857 Constitution"

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 15 (Special)—A prominent authority on Mexican affairs in analyzing the present uprising against the Obregon Government, for The Christian Science Monitor, declared that "Mexico must have a strong and progressive President who is able and willing to keep step with the United States."

As for the present candidates in the field the Monitor's informant declared that "Adolfo de la Huerta, the

former Secretary of the Treasury, tries to please the masses, assuring them peace and rearrangement of finances. He is not considered strong enough under such trying conditions as those existing at the present time. Whether he failed to keep his promise in the three-cornered pact at Agua Prieta, between Obregon, Gen. Plutarco Elias Calles and himself cannot be confirmed. This pact refers to the presidential success regardless of an election."

Regarding Gen. Angel Flores, reported in yesterday's dispatches to have withdrawn from the presidential race, he said: "General Flores, representing the landowners, has been successful in accumulating a large fortune within a few years, and has done some constructive work as Governor of the State of Sinaloa. He is hardly of the right timber for president." Looking into Mexico's future, he added:

A new party based on the 1857 Constitution with some important amendments, adjusted to modern needs, would be the best solution to the present tangle. Mexico must have a strong and progressive President, who is willing and able to keep step with the United States. Neighbors must keep their houses clean. Cooperation is essential. No conquest, but the Anglo-Saxon race seems to be predestined to use its moral influence on this continent.

Mexico is the treasure-trove of the world, with inexhaustible wealth. All the vicissitudes of a long revolution could not change Mexico's excellent financial condition. Revolutions are always a step toward advancement, and they really mean evolution. A constructive policy of the American press would help to clear up the cloudy horizon. The public is getting too lazy to do the thinking, and it relies upon the judgment of its selected papers. We need optimism, not to put so much importance upon the approaching elections in both countries. Presidents will be elected but the people's destinies work out regardless of such events.

THREE OPPOSE WOMEN ON JURY

Minority Report Says Service
Would Not Be Improved

Lack of evidence either that the addition of women to the jury would improve jury service or that women as a whole want to serve is the basis of a minority report of the special legislative commission appointed to investigate that question.

Optional jury service for women was recommended by the majority of the commission but T. Hovey Gage of Worcester, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association, Thomas W. Brewster, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association, and Boston lawyers, dissented. Their report, part, follows:

After all witnesses who desired to present their views to the commission, it seemed to us that no convincing testimony nor argument had been advanced to indicate that extending jury service to women would improve the service. Nor had it been shown that women as a whole desired such service.

Merely because 23 states impose this duty upon women seemed to us to have no preclusive value whatever, because this was more than offset by the 25 states where women do not serve as jurors.

To many of the men who addressed the commission the notion of jury service for women was repugnant and it apparently struck some of them as a monstrous thing to compel women to serve as jurors against their will. Most of those who spoke who favored the idea at all favored voluntary jury service.

The attitude of the women speakers was different. They wanted nothing to do with voluntary jury service and were practically unanimous that jury service should be extended to women and that it should be compulsory. But this commission voted against compulsory service for women by a vote of four to three.

If women are allowed to decide for themselves whether they shall serve as jurors or not, we think the inevitable result will be that the vast majority of women will elect not to serve, and that this majority would include the very women who would make the best jurors, and the minority who would elect to serve might be women who would not make desirable jurors. Now that women have been granted full suffrage, we suggest that this whole matter, if it be possible under the referendum, be left to the people to decide.

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With Legislature

A street improvement program involving \$35,000,000 for which he asks the permission of the Legislature to allow the city of Boston to borrow money outside the debt limit is proposed in bills filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives in the State House today for James M. Curley, Mayor of Boston. John J. Heffernan, Representative from Brighton, acted for Mayor Curley in filing the bills.

These bills provide for the construction of a new thoroughfare in Boston running southeast and northwest through the downtown part of the city and for extensions and widenings of certain streets incidental to the proposed commercial highway.

Proposed Route
The new thoroughfare would start at the junction of Kneeland and Washington streets, Kneeland to Whitmore Street, to Church Green, across Fort Hill Square, then northeasterly to India Street at Sears Street, Sears Street to Milk Street, then northeasterly across intervening blocks to South Market Street, at Mercantile Street, along Mercantile Street to Clinton Street, then northeasterly to Commercial Street, then Crose Street, along Crose to Haymarket Square, along Merrimack and Wall streets to Minot Street, then northeasterly to and along Leverett Street, to Charles Street.

The following street widenings are provided for:
Stuart Street, at or near the junction of Elliot Street to the new proposed thoroughfare, at or near its junction with Washington and Kneeland streets, to a width of 100 feet.
Tremont Street, from Arlington Square to Stuart Street, not less than 80 feet.
Kneeland Street, at or near Washington and Stuart, to Atlantic Avenue, 80 feet.
Albany Street, at or near Broadway, to Kneeland Street, 120 feet.
Broad Street, at or near Wharf Street, to India Square, 100 feet.
Beverly Street, at or near junction of Cross and Endicott Streets, 80 feet.
Stanford Street, from new thoroughfare to Green Street, Green Street at or near Bowdoin Square, to Chambers Street, to Blossom Street, and Cambridge Street, 120 feet.
Commercial Street, at or near North End Beach to Keane Square, 80 feet.

Other Bills Filed

Other bills filed follow:
Authorizing Boston to appropriate \$3,000,000 outside the debt limit for the construction of additional buildings for the Boston City Hospital.
To include the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company within the provisions of a law which would make it liable for payment for pavements between its tracks.
To take the metropolitan boulevards within Boston out of the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission and place them within the jurisdiction of the Boston Public Works Department.
For a state appropriation of \$25,000 for the national encampment of the G. A. R. next year, to be spent under the supervision of the Governor and council.

A bill repealing the present law relating to fees for licenses or permits in Boston, and substituting for it a measure which would give the power of fixing the fees for all licenses or permits in Boston with the city council, with the approval of the Mayor. At present the amount of each fee is fixed by a special statute.

Providing for further exemption from attachments under trustee process by making the exemption \$15 instead of \$10 for necessities of life.

Requiring dealers in securities to make absolute purchases of stocks or bonds at the time of the placing of the order by the customer.

To put the employees of the em-

ployment bureau of Boston under the civil service laws.

Repeal the law under which preference was given in the work of matrons to widows of city employees and make the preference apply to all widows.

Authorizing the City of Boston to pay such laborers and other claimants who furnished trucks under a contract between the City of Boston and Leonard Remen, who have not been paid by reason of default in the contract.

To authorize Boston to provide funds, for alterations in the Tremont Street subway and the East Boston tunnel, according to the Mayor's office, the work in question already has been authorized.

MOTOR DIVISION GETS \$7,250,000

Fees Increase \$1,400,000 Over
Last Year—516,150 Cars

The state registry of motor vehicles for the fiscal year ending Dec. 1 collected more than \$7,250,000. Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles in Massachusetts, reported today. This, Mr. Goodwin said, is an increased revenue of nearly \$1,400,000 over the income last year from the same source.

In 1922 the state registry received in fees for registration of motor vehicles of all kinds and fees for examination of applicants for operators' and chauffeurs' licenses, as well as fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses, the sum of \$5,855,527.07. It refunded to automobile owners and operators for returned number plates approximately \$85,000. It received in fines \$265,000, which was spent by the department of public works on the highways of the State. The total receipts were approximately \$5,885,500.

In the fiscal year ending Dec. 1, 1923, the registry received in fees of all kinds, \$6,989,633.25. It refunded \$75,000. Fines collected by the courts from automobile owners and operators convicted of violating the motor vehicle regulations, amounted to \$356,766.54. The total receipts were approximately \$7,271,000.

There were 405,000 passenger cars registered this year, and 76,000 motor trucks, as compared with 321,572 passenger cars and 65,598 trucks registered last year.

The total registration this year of motor vehicles of all kinds was 516,150, but this figure included cars which were registered more than once—cars which changed hands during the year.

SINGAPORE DOCKS QUESTION REVIVED

By Cable from Monitor Bureau

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The question of the Singapore docks is on the tapis again. The Labor Party's viewpoint is that the dock would be for the benefit of Australia and New Zealand, and that as they are members of the British Commonwealth of Nations, it is time that Great Britain should cease "mothering" them.

If these dominions insist that the docks are necessary, then they must bear a fair share of the cost; otherwise, the whole scheme may be dropped. This is what Labor says now, but if they come into power, other factors may appear to cause them to modify this view.

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Italian Linen (hemstitched) 95¢ and 1.25

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RETIREMENT ACT CHANGE IS SOUGHT

Teachers Urge Pension Board
to Recommend Increase in the
Benefits Derived

Recommending that the Teachers' Retirement Act be amended to meet the increase in the cost of living, representative teachers and delegates of many teachers' associations from all over the State appeared before the special commission on pensions at the State House today.

Henry Smalley of the Teachers' Retirement Board, said that the present law, enacted in 1913, provides that every teacher in the service shall make a contribution of 5 per cent of his salary up to \$100 a year, which shall be held by the Teachers' Retirement Board until the retirement age is reached. The law provides that teachers may retire at 60 and shall retire at 70, he said. Upon retirement, the State shall match the retirement allowance with a pension of the same amount, but the pension shall not be more than \$500.

Received Only \$400

Mr. Smalley said that a superintendent of schools retired not long since, and that his retirement allowance and pension together amounted to less than \$400 a year. The result of the existing law, he held, which fixed arbitrary amounts, is to force superannuated school teachers to hold their positions as long as they can when they should be able to retire on a pension which will support them in view of their long-time service to the public.

Clayton L. Lent, secretary of the board, said that there were 120 teachers who retired voluntarily at the age of 60 in 1914, and in 1923 there have been but 74 who so retired, due, he said, to the small amount upon which they would have to live.

Teachers' salaries have increased, Mr. Lent said, but the teachers are not permitted under the law, to contribute more than \$100 a year toward the retirement allowance. The law was enacted before the salaries were raised to the point where they stand today, he said.

"The average salary of teachers at retirement in 1914," continued Mr. Lent, "was \$823.37, whereas in 1923, it is \$1,815.08."

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TABLE RUNNERS

CO-OPERATIVE SELLING OF FISH EXPECTED TO BOOM GLOUCESTER

One Big Marketing Agency, of Which All Fishermen Would Be Members, Undertaken by Mr. Shea

[The Christian Science Monitor today presents the third and final installment of a series of articles dealing with the fishing industry of the North Atlantic. The articles have traced the progress of the business up to its peak during and directly following the war, and from that point to its condition at the present time.]

Today's installment tells of plans for rehabilitation of the salt fish industry and for the broadening of the market through education and through increased facilities of distribution.]

Late in the year 1921 the Gloucester Chamber of Commerce, in co-operation with the Fish Exchange, an organization of Gloucester shippers or sellers of salt fish, took an important step. A committee on fisheries, of which Mayor William J. MacInnis of Gloucester was chairman, was authorized to prepare a questionnaire on the salt fish industry and to mail the questionnaire to 2000 women—officials of women's clubs and kindred organizations in every State in the Union.

The questionnaires were mailed out during the week of March 20, and replies were continuously received up to July. Three hundred and seventy-four replies were received and tabulated. Twenty-six questionnaires were returned as being improperly addressed. In other words, the percentage of replies amounted to approximately 20 per cent. All these replies were characterized by a friendly feeling toward the Gloucester industry and a high regard for its products. As a result of them, the following conclusions were reached:

(1) Gloucester's products are not sufficiently well known.
(2) The consumers are not adequately acquainted with the proper methods of preparing Gloucester fish products for the table.

Mr. Hoover Pledges Aid

This much having been determined Mayor MacInnis set out this year to see what could be done about it. While attending the Mayors' conference at Washington he discussed the rehabilitation of the salt fish industry with Herbert Hoover, United States Secretary of Commerce. Mr. Hoover seemed amazed at the condition it was in and promised his co-operation. Conferences were held later with Henry O'Malley, Commissioner of Fisheries.

This led to a big meeting at New York in October attended by dealers from Boston, Gloucester, Portland, Me., and Seattle. Big jobbers from the west were there. The outcome was that an increase of \$9000 in the appropriation for fisheries was obtained by Mayor MacInnis and Thomas Carroll of the Gorton Pew Company, who later went to Washington for that purpose.

Just how this money is to be used or just what is to be the character of the effort put forth by the United States Government to revive the salt fish business of which Gloucester is still the center cannot be told at present. It undoubtedly will be along advertising lines.

In the meantime, however, comes the movement for co-operative marketing. Its sponsors report headway—the appointment of committees, alignment of supporting associations and financial organization. This movement, had its beginning recently when the fishermen's union through its agent, James Newman Shea, summoned Aaron Sapir, organizer of several co-operative marketing associations in the United States and who is counsel for 80 such organizations.

Sea Captains Enthusiastic

Meetings were held in Gloucester and Boston. It is related that grizzled sea captains who almost had to be dragged into the opening meeting in Gloucester were so impressed and became so enthusiastic over the plan that they went in a body to the Boston meeting on the following night. The plan as finally adopted was really the handwork, so far as details and adaptability to the fishing industry were concerned, of Mr. Shea.

It provides for one great selling agency of which all fishermen would be members. When a cargo of fish was brought in, instead of being sold on the block by each captain for what he could get, all the cargoes would be turned over to one man, a member of the association, whose duty and job it would be to sell all the fish at a price he himself should set. This would be of no value under present conditions of distribution, but this is where market expansion comes in. Carloads of foodstuffs are pouring

into Boston and New York markets daily, consequently the system is made interlocking, according to Mr. Shea, in that these cars will carry back into the interior of the United States fish—fresh as well as salt fish. Thus transportation would be utilized to supply the big consuming districts of the middle west.

Mr. Shea is most earnest in his contention that the only reason Pittsburg, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and other inland districts do not consume fresh fish from the Atlantic in large quantities is because no well-defined and systematic effort has ever been made to get it to them and show them how good it is. He believes it is feasible.

Fish dealers have not been missing from the ranks of those who deplore the transportation service. This point was raised. Mr. Shea replied that he felt sure railroad facilities were not so bad that one could not contract for the delivery of certain volumes weekly.

Fish Prevalence in Britain

"England," said Mr. Shea, "is far ahead of us in transportation. There, you know, they sidetrack a duke's train rather than tie up a fish car. And in England, I believe the per capita consumption of fish is 50 per cent. Here it is only 12 or 14."

Dwellers for the moment on the possible development of intracontinental shipment of fresh fish, Mr. Shea dropped some interesting statements, any one of which constitutes a valuable lesson in refrigeration. For example:

Seventy per cent of the halibut and 100 per cent of the salmon in markets in the east are from the Pacific coast. California strawberries have sold for four cents a box less in the New York market than do native berries.

Halibut caught in the Pacific is shipped to Boston market and resold in Salt Lake City.

"All this," says Mr. Shea, "simply shows what can be accomplished with proper refrigeration. The reason we have never expanded is because the little dealers are content to supply a little circle of customers about them."

The salt fishing industry is coming back, says Mr. Shea. The fresh fish industry is to grow tremendously. And the real solution is the plan just outlined, he believes.

"With our domestic market expanded and with the readjustments in the European markets that are bound to come I know of no reason why we should not have four and five times as many vessels in the industry as we have today," he concluded.

REICH INTRODUCES NINE-HOUR DAY

Government Bureaux Are Affected—New Tax Regulations

By Special Cable

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The Government definitely decided yesterday to introduce a nine-hour day in all its bureaux. At the same time the Minister of Works, Heinrich Braunsbach, intervened in the quarrel going on between the employers and the workmen of the metal industry in the Ruhr over the removal of the eight-hour day, and ordered the introduction of a 10-hour shift there. Reports were received yesterday from Upper Silesia that the miners had followed the example of the Ruhr miners and had agreed to work an extra hour. The abolition of the eight-hour day which had been the most prized revolutionary achievement of the workmen may be regarded as another sign of Germany's determination to return to normalcy as fast as possible.

In shifting the taxes from a paper mark to a gold basis, the Government has raised the income limit of the working population, which is free of tax from 10 to 12 gold marks weekly. But with regard to other items, the screw has been tightened and the outcome of the new system will be that the married workman will have to pay 5 per cent tax on his wages. The Government has now also definitely stated that mortgages and other similar debts need not be repaid in gold. To prevent any excess profit on the part of the debtor, the state intends to tax the difference, by which the Government pockets part of the money due to the creditor—a procedure which is arousing serious objection here.

REICH DYE INVASION OF U. S. PREDICTED

Chemical Foundation Head Says German Monopolists Plan American Alliances

Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Francis P. Garvan, president of The Chemical Foundation, Inc., and former Alien Property Custodian, told the members of the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers' Association of the United States, meeting at their annual convention at the Hotel Commodore here today, that the next step which would be taken by the German dye monopoly in their effort to reassert their authority over the American market would be the formation of an independent German dye manufacturing company in the United States. He added:

During the year American chemical manufacturers have resisted an attack that has been practically interminable on the part of Interessen Gemeinschaft, the great German dye and explosives cartel which enjoyed almost a world monopoly in aniline products before the war.

The cartel, which is absolutely united in Germany, has divided up its forces and has tried to seek an alliance on the part of each one of its component units with some great American company, with the object of undermining the American industry through their complete joint understanding at home. But the cartel stood to announce that the first partnership alliance between an American company and the foreigner has yet to be made, and I congratulate the members of the industry for remembering their trust to the American people for holding their position in a manufacturing field which is nothing less than one of the arsenals of America.

Mr. Garvan declared that as it stood the American dye industry was able to supply the market of the United States without help from any other country.

Among the other speakers were Dr. Wilder D. Bancroft, former president of the American Chemical Society and professor of chemistry at Cornell; Col. J. I. McMullin of the United States Army; Elton H. Hooker, president of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association, and Daniel F. Waters, president of the Master Dyers' Association. Colonel McMullin outlined the subject of patents and called attention to the fact that German chemists could still hold important chemical patents in this country, such as the fixation of nitrogen, without working them, while American patents in Germany had to be worked, and, if need be, placed at the disposal of the German Government to be valid.

LADY ASTOR BACKS NEW LIQUOR ACT

Bishop of Oxford's Control Bill Receives Strong Commendation

By Cable from Monitor Bureau

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Bishop of Oxford's Liquor Control Bill is discussed in an illuminating article published here over Lady Astor's signature. This bill is to enable localities to experiment in what she describes as "the only two possible alternatives to private ownership," namely, firstly, closing down, and secondly, reorganization. If the area voted for "reorganization," a board of trustees would assume and run the whole drink business, paying compensation to the losers by the scheme.

The bill's merits Lady Astor says are, that "it does not commit the country as a whole to big and precipitate changes; it recognizes the rights of property, it allows alternatives to be tried side by side, it gives communities the liberty to decide their own fate, expressed through a referendum on a single issue, and lastly it is a step in taking the highly organized commercial interest out of national and municipal politics, and ridding us of the tyranny of the traffic which generations have tried to control and which seeks to force pledges of support from election candidates." Lady Astor thinks it should appeal specially to the newly-enfranchised women, whose ideals of clean politics kept them from supporting the "brewers party."

INDIAN MINISTERS RESIGN AS RESULT OF RECENT ELECTION

By Special Cable

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.—In consequence of the general defeat of the Moderate Indian Party in the Bengal election three Indian ministers, responsible for the transferred departments, Sir Surendra Nath Banerjee, P. C. Mitter, and Nawab Saliyid Nawab Ali Chaudhuri have submitted their resignations which the Governor accepted. Lord Lytton, following the British constitutional practice, has asked C. R. Das, leader of the victorious Swaraj Party, which has a majority of the elected Indian members, to undertake the responsibility of the transferred departments.

The Das Party platform consisted of a policy of indiscriminate opinion of all Government measures, with the view of exposing what they consider a fraudulent policy of reforms. The sweeping nature of the Swaraj victory was not anticipated by anybody. Mr. Das has undertaken to place the position, as explained by the Governor before a full meeting of his party and to communicate the result.

The reserved departments, of course, are not affected, but the constitutional interest in the position lies in the effort made by the Governor to treat all reserved and transferred departments of the Government as one harmonious whole, and in the opportunity afforded to the extremists of the sobering responsibilities of office. Mr. Das himself, not anticipating so complete a victory, was not a candidate for the Assembly or the Bengal Legislative Council.

The Viceroy arrived at Calcutta today on a brief four-day visit.

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"All Is Well, Children"; Toy Industry Is Booming

Trains, Automobiles, Pianos, Sleds, Skis, Carts, Toboggans, Etc., Being Made by Trainloads, Report Shows

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 15 (AP)—The wooden toy industry is booming in America, according to the New York State College of Forestry, Syracuse University. The World War gave it a big lift because the war temporarily discouraged German manufacture, formerly the chief source of supply for the American market.

The tariff now in force, however, sealed the fate of German competition in wooden toys in this country and since that time several large centers of toy manufacture have sprung up. Winchendon, Mass., being the largest in the east. The only wooden toy of any prominence that escaped the tariff embargo is the artificial Christmas tree which has been reclassified and transferred from the wood product class to the feather schedule, as a large portion of artificial Christmas trees are made of feathers.

Some German toys are on the market at high prices. Many of these are made of metal, such as battleships,

locomotives, trains, railroads, automobiles, fire engines, mills and pianos, although a large portion of the pianos are made of wood.

American manufacturers, the statement says, excel in construction of large toys, such as sleds, skis, carts, snowshoes, toboggans, etc. The kind of wood often depends on the by-products of the lumber manufacturers near which the toy factories are usually located. Because of these reasons one manufacturer uses pine, another chestnut and another various hardwoods.

Toy factories are held to be an excellent outlet for the by-products of many working mills and so a long way toward making the operation of the lumber and coarse products mills profitable. Owing to the growing scarcity of wood and the increase of cost of labor, wooden toys have increased in price in the last 10 years about 100 per cent. Reforestation and systematic forest management will tend to reduce the cost.

LAXITY OF VOTERS
DECRIED BY WOMENSpeakers on Law Enforcement
Point to Need of Awakening
Public Opinion

Systematic, unremitting, organized work to secure definite action by the law-abiding citizens of Massachusetts for law enforcement, was decided on today by the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement, meeting yesterday in the Ford Building with Mrs. Herbert J. Gurney, chairman, presiding. Special and regular radio talks, community meetings and neighborhood canvassing will be used to this end.

Disinterested Electorate

Figures presented by Miss Laura A. Jones, secretary of the branch, showed that in the recent elections but 43 per cent of the electorate registered for voting, and that 28 per cent of the 43 per cent cast their ballots, making but 16 per cent of the entire electorate that went to the polls on election day. In one town, but one person had gone to the primary and another had but five at its primary. "Where are we coming out?" she asked, and pointed to the results of the election in Boston as the answer. These after graft or other forms of personal interest turn out 100 per cent strong, she said, showing that "what was needed to establish good government was enough interest and strength of purpose on the part of the so-called 'good' citizen to go to the polls and declare himself on the side of law and order."

Miss Jones pointed out, also, that candidates working for moral issues or better order, should be upheld publicly and personally, and told of one public man who had cast his vote for law enforcement after a long struggle with opposing forces. Immediately he was assailed by the wets with all manner of abuse, while the only word of commendation he had was her own.

Spurring Public Opinion

Public meetings will be utilized largely for the expression of public opinion, public support of persons and measures, and also condemnation of what is wrong. The radio will be used chiefly to get at the so-called "home" woman and man.

Mrs. Henry A. Slater, past president of the Vermont Federation of Women's Clubs, was announced by Mrs. Gurney as chairman of the Vermont branch of the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement.

Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, executive chairman of the national committee, stated that the New England branch would co-operate with the citizenship conference to be held in Boston, Jan. 20, 21 and 22 and would have the final session on Tuesday morning for its own. This would include an institute with special speakers and a model program that could be copied easily by local organizations.

TECHNICAL HIGH
CHIEF IS HONOREDSpringfield School and Principal
25 Years in Service

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 15 (Special)—At an alumni banquet last night in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Springfield Technical High School and of the principalship of Charles F. Warner, a hand-illuminated testimonial of appreciation was presented to Mr. Warner. This, engrossed on parchment and bound in black leather—the work of Technical High men—was presented on behalf of alumni and students by Fred L. Hunn of the class of 1903.

This testimonial came at the conclusion of an evening on which Dr. Thomas M. Balliet of New York, formerly superintendent of schools here, made an address in which he said that there is a rising demand for a higher education and that the junior college will mark the next notable expansion in meeting that demand. He congratulated this city upon having three specialized high schools, all centrally located, obtaining the largest measure of efficiency for the whole city. The departure of an accredited two years' course of college grade, introduced on the Pacific coast, is gradually spreading eastward, he said, and soon will be adopted in New England.

A pageant with 50 students in the cast, presented at the school in the daytime, was repeated last night for the alumni's benefit.

SCOTTISH RITE HONORS
16 CALIFORNIA KNIGHTS

From a Staff Correspondent
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15—The thirty-third degree, Inspector General (Honorary) was conferred here today on 16 Knight Commanders of the Court of Honor. The work was exemplified by William Parker Palmer, thirty-third degree, of San Francisco, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in northern California of the Ancient and Accepted

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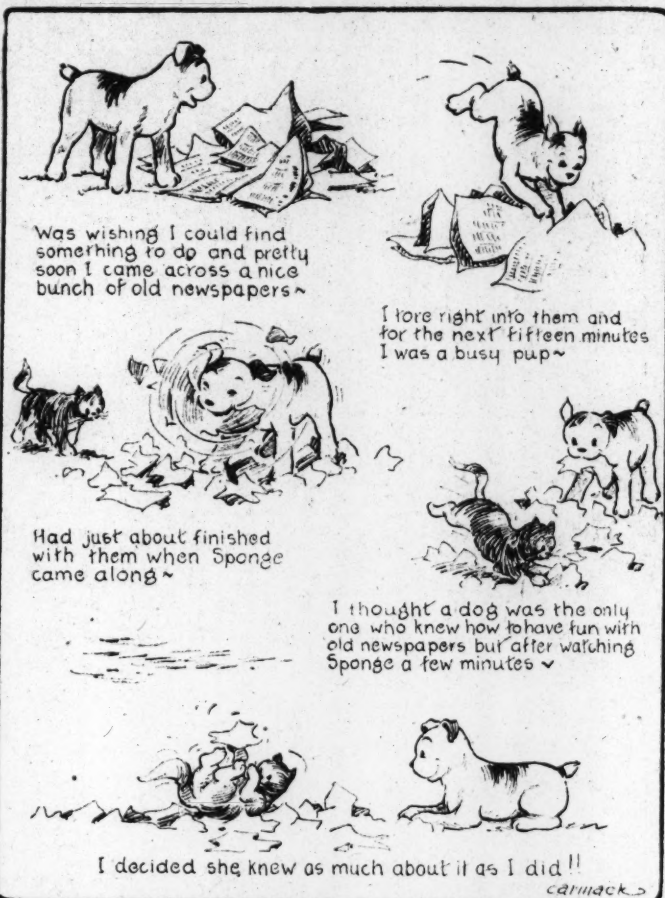
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Scottish Rite Masonry has shown consistent growth in California with nine consistories and 120 thirty-third degree Masons in northern California and three consistories and 40 thirty-third degree Masons in the south.

The Diary of Snubs, Our Dog

GRANGERS AWARD
PRIZES FOR FRUITConnecticut Pomological Society
Closes Convention

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 15 (Special)—Election of officers and the awarding of prizes in the fruit exhibition held in connection with the meeting marked the closing sessions yesterday of the twenty-third annual convention of the Connecticut Pomological Society.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that if a majority of the states represented in the recent eastern apple exposition decide to hold a similar exposition next year, the Connecticut fruit growers represented in the Connecticut Pomological Society should also participate in the event.

The officers elected are: President, L. C. Root, Farmington; vice-president, H. M. Rogers, Southington; secretary, H. C. C. Miles, Milford; treasurer, W. A. Lane, Burnside. Mr. Miles and Mr. Lane were re-elected. The following county vice-presidents were also elected: Hartford County, F. I. Griswold, Wethersfield; New Haven County, J. H. R. Bishop, Cheshire; Fairfield County, Paul M. Barrows, Stamford; Litchfield County, H. G. Hallock, Washington; New London County, F. W. Burton, Mystic; Middlesex County, Paul P. Wilcox, Durham; Windham County, H. B. Buell, Eastford; Tolland County, B. F. Pinney, Ellington. C. L. Gold of Cornwall was elected New England Fruit Show vice-president for Connecticut. In the awards made in the apple exhibit, L. W. Bilton & Son of Somers won 16 first prizes and four second prizes, including the sweepstakes award for the best barrel of apples at the show. Mountain View Orchards of Hazardville won 11 first prizes, and H. P. Deming of Winsted was awarded three first prizes and five second prizes.

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Mike, Mouse of All Work

MIKE MOUSE hitched up his trousers, wiped his nose, and put his best foot forward across the nursery floor. Whistling merrily, he crossed over to where the large doll's house stood in the corner. As

stacked the rugs from the doll house and carried them out into the backyard. (The backyard of the doll house was the small space between the nursery fireplace and the scrap basket.) Mike ran into the fireplace and found an old match. This he used to beat and beat the rugs, till they lay in a neat, clean pile.

When he carried them in again and laid them on the floors, he heard Mrs. Doll sigh and say: "Oh, dear, the cook's left and no one will like the dinner I cook."

Mike tapped at the door respectfully and said: "Oh, Madam, if you will only let me, I will cook you a beautiful dinner with soup and salad and little cakes with flowers on the top, made of carved peanuts."

Mrs. Doll quite gasped. "Can you cook, too, Mike?"

"Oh, my goodness, didn't you know I've written two cook books—one is used by the king of Spain's cook and the other by the king of the Cannibal Isles who always does his own cooking."

So Mike cooked a splendid dinner for the doll family and, after the dishes were all washed and put away, Mrs. Doll came and said: "Oh, Mike, do you suppose you could take the baby riding in his cart, while I make calls this afternoon?"

Mike grinned from ear to ear and said that he would be delighted. He had six babies of his own. He took the baby to see the gold-fish that swam round and round in the gold-fish bowl, and for a ride on the electric train that ran through tunnels when the switch was up; and they fed the stuffed elephant peanuts till the baby fell sound asleep sitting up. Mike rushed it home quickly and put it to bed. Then he darned all the stockings in the high mending pile and put a card on top. The card said: "Compliments and best wishes of Mike, Expert Darning."

Then he slipped quietly out of the back door and scuttled across to his little hole under the wainscoting, where his wife mouse with a pink rosette on her ear waited for him.

BIGGER JEWELRY
EXPORT PROPOSEDUnited States to Make Survey
of Foreign Markets

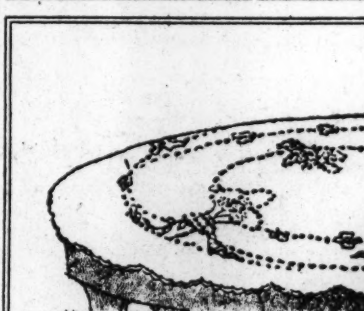
Henry W. Morse, chief of the specialties division of the United States Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce at Washington, D. C., is here for a two-day sojourn at the New England district office of the bureau in the Custom House. He is rendering aid to manufacturers and exporters in various problems they encounter in exporting their goods and assisting them to increase their sales abroad.

Mr. Morse explains that the United States Government is about to make a survey of the jewelry and plate goods markets of the world, with a view to increasing the foreign outlet of American-made products. He is going to Attleboro, Mass., and Providence, R. I., next Monday and Tuesday for conferences with manufacturers of those

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articles, relative to the sort of information that would prove most valuable to them. Questionnaires are to be prepared from the information gathered by Mr. Morse, and these questionnaires are to be sent to all sections of the world, where jewelry may be in demand. The results will be tabulated and it is expected the data will prove of great value to American manufacturers in locating and developing greater overseas demand for their products.

REPEAL IS URGED
OF ESPIONAGE ACTNew England Civil Liberties
Send Petition to Congress

Repeal of those sections of the wartime espionage act still in force, and of the provisions for deporting aliens holding radical beliefs, was urged in a resolution to the United States Congress adopted yesterday at a meeting held under the auspices of the New England Civil Liberties Committee and the League for Democratic Control, in the Twentieth Century Club, at which John S. Codman presided.

Prof. Zachariah Chafee Jr. of the Harvard Law School and Roger N. Baldwin of New York spoke. Mr. Baldwin asserted that the Department of Justice is demanding of Congress a sedition law to be effective in peace time; to penalize advocates of radical ideas, and also the registration of all aliens as a means of combating radical propaganda. He said that both efforts would be "vigorously opposed by the advocates of free speech, who would meet the department's program by the demand for the repeal of the present federal laws penalizing expressions of opinion."

Professor Chafee discussed conditions in the non-union coal mining districts, where he charged that thousands of miners are living practically under the domination of the coal operators without power to exercise the ordinary civil rights of citizens. Professor Chafee was chairman of a voluntary commission which recently investigated the subject, reporting to the United States Coal Commission.

PROPOSED ADVANCE
IN FARES SUSPENDED

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 15 (Special)—The New Hampshire Public Service Commission has suspended until Jan. 15, the proposed 20 per cent increase on commutation and pupils' tickets proposed by the Boston & Maine, which would have expired today.

HUFF MAY ISSUE MORE COMMON
Huff Motor Car Company is understood to be considering the issuance of additional stock to capitalize expenditures for the rapid development of the last few years. An increase is expected in outstanding capitalization of 50 per cent, additional stock to be offered at a price to yield stockholders valuable rights. The price mentioned is \$15 a share.

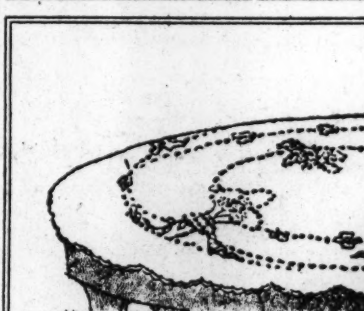
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World Neighborhood Club Formed
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Kinship Is Learned by the Children

"Everybody in the world is really just a member of the universe, the human family," says Mrs. Margherita O. Osborne of Salem, Mass., editor of "Little Folks." And in order to get them acquainted, so that they will stop having misunderstandings and going to war, she has started the "Little Folks' World Neighborhood Club." Activities of the club are carried on through correspondence and ambassadors of all the countries having legations in Washington, D. C., have been interested in the plan, and are co-operating with it so that individual boys and girls in the United States can choose any country in the world in which he or she wishes to have a correspondent, and so, there is one ready and waiting for him or her.

In the first place, a letter asking for such a correspondent is sent to Mrs. Osborne, and by the aid of the ambassadors forwarded by her to a boy or girl who has been carefully selected in the chosen country. Accompanying it must be a letter saying, "It is my desire to be a good neighbor, kind and not greedy, interested and understanding, so that I may learn to love my neighbor as myself."

"If we really knew each other we would know that people of other countries are very much the same as we are and we would be no more liable to go to war with countries than we are with different states of our United States," Mrs. Osborne says. "The time to begin to learn about them is now, and the best time of all is when you are a little boy or girl and going to school and studying history and geography. It makes those more interesting and vivid studies, and instead of a strange place all the world becomes home."

It is when the present boys and girls become men and women that Mrs. Osborne expects to see the big results of the neighborhood club, whose activities are not to be confined to correspondence. She is going to have a "Story of the World," telling briefly the history of each country in a way that is expected to interest the boys and girls and to emphasize those features that bind the people of one race or country with those of another.

"I think it would be a very good idea when you write to your first little

World Neighbor, to write him, or her, something that you know about the country to which he, or she, belongs, or something you have read about some great man who was born in that country," Mrs. Osborne writes in presenting her plan to the children. "Remember that it is not kind to boast about your own country because to each of us our own country is dearest—and the object of the World Neighborhood Club is to get acquainted and to learn about each other. Wait until they ask you about your country before you write a great deal about it. Let them know that you wish to know something about their lives and what they play and study, and what pets they have, and what church they go to, and whether they have brothers and sisters. They will be sure to ask you questions, too."

WORLD COURT HELD
TO BE INDISPENSABLE

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 15 (Special)—A world court and assembly, with public opinion to support their decisions, were urged as indispensable safeguards against further wars in an address by Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War, before the men's club of West Springfield Congregational Church last night. The speaker recently returned from a three months' expedition to the Ruhr and other parts of Europe. He disapproved the nationalistic policies of France.

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SCHOOL SYSTEM TO BE SURVEYED

Providence Committee Votes for
Investigation by Columbia
University Experts

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 15 (Special).—Thorough investigation of the Providence public school system is practically assured by the action of the joint City Council special committee and the executive committee of the school committee in voting to retain the School of Education, Columbia University, for a survey, providing the board of contract and supply approves the expenditure of \$12,000 for the purpose.

The action of the two committees was taken in joint session, after Dr. George D. Strayer of Columbia University had appeared at two sessions during the day and outlined the work to be undertaken. Dr. Strayer said he would be prepared to begin the work soon after Jan. 1, and that the survey and the deductions to be drawn from it could not possibly be ready before the latter part of May.

Public sentiment has favored legislation to remedy defects in the educational system before the incoming session of the General Assembly. Now, it is said, with the opening of the legislative session on Jan. 2 and a 90-day session ending in April, there is slight prospect for a new school code being drafted in time for school this year.

Dr. Strayer, in interviews with the two committees, completed late in the day, asserted that there are a great many subjects to be taken up which will require the individual study of educational experts, and the assembling of data and determination of errors and corrective measures cannot be expedited. This will require a corps of statistical investigators, who will be brought to this city from New York as soon as final action on the proposed appropriation is taken.

The action of the city officials comes as the result of intensive opposition to the continuance of the present methods of financing, administering and executing school affairs, which was amplified in the organization of the Educational Council of Civic Clubs. This council made a survey last year, in which representatives of the school of education of Brown University served gratuitously. The sum and substance of the report returned by this examination of the school system was that Providence schools are under-financed, under-taught, not modernly equipped and in need of that "loss in efficiency, so stupendous as to mean bankruptcy to an industrial concern," existed.

ART

Arts and Crafts

The array of holiday cards on exhibition and sale at the Society of Arts and Crafts ranges from delightful child-like sketches to inspired subjects. The aggregate represents the contributions of several members, who have, in many instances, displayed real craftsmanship and contributed various interesting interpretations of the year's end season.

There is a series of small etchings of scenes about Boston. There are block prints, black and colored, and some are sumptuously colored with gold, purple and orange of the Orient; some follow the Renaissance color. The illuminations, in the manner of the old French, are handsome. Motives and designs are developed about initials with exquisite lineal effects and rich tints.

Boston City Club

Oil paintings by prominent Boston artists are being shown at the Boston City Club. Mr. Paxton has contributed a portrait in his literal comely style. Mr. Spens has one of his colorful parrot subjects. Gertrude Pike shows a realistic painting of a familiar street corner in Gloucester. Richard Andrews in "Self Portrait," done in a sketchy style, has a convincing handling of light. Charles Woodbury's "Beach Scene" is an interesting and popular subject. Howard Smith's Hunt Scene is atmospheric. Mrs. Page's "Mother and Child" is freshly painted, and has a genuine, realistic sentiment. Mr. Kaula's landscapes, seen through a slightly fantastic eye, are always pleasing.

MUSIC

Boston Concert Calendar

Sunday afternoon, Dec. 16, in Symphony Hall, "The Messiah," by the Handel and Haydn Society, Emil Mollenhauer, conductor.

Monday evening, Dec. 17, in Symphony Hall, a repetition of "The Messiah" by the Handel and Haydn Society.

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MEDICAL COLLEGE QUITS ASSOCIATION

Cambridge School Secedes From
A. M. A. Following Later's
Alleged Calumny

The Middlesex College of Medicine and Surgery of Cambridge, Mass., has seceded from the American Medical Association, and, through its board of trustees, has declared its complete independence of that paternalistic body. The trustees say that:

(1) "We have been driven to take this stand by reason of the intolerable condition under which we labor, due to the persistent campaign of calumny and misrepresentation directed against our institution by the American Medical Association.

(2) "We realize that in taking the position we do, we are declaring war upon one of the most powerful trusts in the country, the medical trust.

(3) "We conceive it to be—and this is a common opinion—that the medical trust is not the great body of medical men throughout the country who make up the members, but the small group of self-seekers who, in alliance with a small number of medical schools, control the American Medical Association and use it to their own ends."

"Diploma Mill" Quits
The action of the Middlesex College is an outcome of what is popularly known as the "diploma mill" investigation, which has been going on in New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts. The American Medical Association attacked the motives of the Cambridge institution and in this connection Charles E. Prior, secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine, was authorized by Gov. Channing H. Cox to make an investigation into the status of a group of physicians in Massachusetts.

Dr. Prior alleges that he found at the office of the Connecticut Health Commission a record pertaining to several graduates of Middlesex College, some of whom are said to possess diplomas both from that college and from the Boston School of Physicians and Surgeons.

This has been used by the American Medical Association as evidence that the Cambridge institution is a "diploma mill." A committee of the association visited the school and made a report.

Letter of Defense
A report in the form of an open letter, addressed to Dr. Ray Wilbur, president of the American Medical Association, Chicago, and signed by Horatio S. Card, president of the board of trustees of Middlesex College of Medicine and Surgery, seeks to defend the standards and motives of the college and, at the same time, to serve notice of its dissociation from the national body. The letter, in part, reads as follows:

The committee appointed by the American Medical Association, and headed by the dean of the Harvard Postgraduate Medical School, made its visit (to the Middlesex College) most unexpectedly. The committee described this as their usual method of approach and an element of their finesse upon which they prided themselves. This committee was received with every courtesy, nevertheless the attitude of your committee resembled more that of a prosecuting official toward a criminal than that which might be expected on the part of the representatives of a great association invited on a mission of advice.

Many of the criticisms of your committee were, no doubt, well founded. All the disadvantages the trustees of the school were glad to have pointed out, and all were remediable. But, not content to indicate opportunities for improvement, the council on medical education has lost no opportunity to impugn every motive and opinion of the trustees and faculty of this school. This council has resorted to the lowest and most despicable methods of attack in its unceasing campaign to injure the reputation of this institution.

Using your control of the state medical journals you nullified the Newman Travel Talk
Paraguay, which because of frequent revolutions, has made little progress in the 400 years of its existence, was presented in what amounted to a story with a moral, by Mr. Newman in his travels on Paraguay and Uruguay last night at Symphony Hall. Montevideo, the capital of Uruguay, was pictured as in step with New York, Paris and London. Mr. Newman's screen views, both the films and the slides, were of their usual high quality. His views of Iguazu Falls, consisting of 2 1/2 miles of tremendous cataracts in doubled terraces, formed a picture before and just after a record-breaking rain which caused the water to rise 120 feet in the ravine, were a prospect which will not soon be forgotten by his large audience. This travelogue is to be repeated this afternoon at 2:30, which will conclude his series for this year.

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COMMISSION URGES WOMEN ON JURIES

Legislative Investigators Also
Advocate Pay Rise—Minority
Report Is Filed

Optional jury service for women in Massachusetts, maintenance of the present jury system of the Commonwealth in general, exemptions from jury service as at present exist, 20 days' service on the jury, increase in remuneration for ordinary jury duty from \$4 to \$5 a day and from \$5 to \$6 a day for service on juries considering capital cases, metal discs bearing numbers instead of paper cards on which names are written for drawing jurors by lot, and compensation of "4 cents a mile to and from home for each day of service" or the actual "amount of such expense," are the important recommendations made to the Legislature of Massachusetts by the special legislative commission which has been investigating the subject of jury service. The report was made public today.

In a minority report, T. Hovey Gage of Worcester, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association; Thomas W. Proctor and Frederick Mansfield, Boston lawyers, dissented from the majority report which recommends making women eligible for jury service.

Metal Discs Opposed
Merle D. Graves, a member of the commission, dissented from that part of the report which recommends the use of metal discs in the drawing of jurors and from that part of the report which recommends the appointment of a state official to supervise the work of local boards in their preparation of the annual jury lists.

The service of women on juries is recommended, with the proviso that women may be exempt on application from such service. The cost of altering the different court houses in Massachusetts to permit of such a change in the long-time jury system of the State is figured at from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

The commission, which began its work on Aug. 7 last, consists of Walter Shuebruk of Cohasset, chairman; Mr. Gage, Mr. Proctor, Miss Edith M. Haynes, attorney of Boston; Mr. Mansfield, Merle D. Graves of Springfield, and Miss M. Sylvia Donaldson of Brockton. Mr. Graves and Miss Donaldson are members in the State House of Representatives and Mr. Shuebruk is a state senator.

The cooperation of Jay R. Benton, Attorney-General; J. Weston Allen, former Attorney-General; and the several district attorneys of the state in meeting with the commission and making recommendations was spoken of with appreciation.

The commission took issue with Mr. Allen in respect to the present jury system. It said: "There has not been sufficient evidence to justify the commission in concluding that there had been any miscarriage of justice; or even if there had been, whether they

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were due to defects in the jury system, to the incompetence of a particular jury or to some cause entirely foreign to the issue and the parties involved."

Question of Politics
As to Mr. Allen's recommendation that the jury drawing be taken out of politics, the commission said:

The commission is doubtful whether any political institution should or can be taken out of politics; but obviously there would be little gained by taking the duty of preparing our jury lists from one political body and assigning it to another, as for instance, a state commission or county commissions, the members of which are to be elected or appointed by an elective officer.

The opportunity for real improvement in our jury system is in the initial step, when certain citizens are selected each year by election officers, registrars of voters or selectmen, to make up the jury list in city or town.

The law provides that these officials shall "prepare a list of such inhabitants of the city or town, of good moral character, of sound judgment, and free from all legal exceptions, not absolutely exempt from jury service as they think qualified to serve as jurors."

The commission, after full deliberation, is unable to suggest to the Legislature any words which would more accurately define by statute what should be considered the qualifications of prospective jurors.

The commission found little excuse for abandoning the present system for the selection of jurors in Massachusetts and believes that the Legislature should use every effort to improve the administration of the present laws, leaving the system fundamentally as it is today and have been since the early days of the Colony and of the Commonwealth.

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FAVORS WORLD COURT

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., Dec. 15 (Special).—On behalf of 95 per cent of the Mount Holyoke College faculty, a telegram, urging the speedy entrance of the United States into the World Court, has been sent to each of the 18 members of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate by Prof. Louis S. Stevenson, secretary of the faculty.

HADASSAH CHAPTER ELECTIONS
Hadassah Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, at its annual meeting, held in the only Eastern Star Temple in this State, located in Dorchester, elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Alma Worthington, Worthy Matron; Frank Prescott, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Benoit Coleman, Associate Matron; Mrs. Abbie Swain, Secretary; Mrs. Sarah Barton, Treasurer; Miss Margaret Bruce, Conductress; Mrs. E. Maud Dana, Associate Conductress.

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MONTVILLE, Conn., Dec. 15 (Special).—The Uncasville Manufacturing Company has sold its plant here to Sidney Blumenfeld & Co., Inc. of New York. The plant, which has been manufacturing chamberglasses, will be utilized for the production of mohair, it was stated.

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Eskimos Adept at Wood Carving

Miniature Piece, Depicting North-
ern Scene, Given Museum

Straight from Labrador, made and set up by the Eskimo people, has come a miniature scene, an authentic reproduction of some phases of Eskimo life, to the Children's Museum at Jamaica Plain, a gift through Mrs. Isaac Sprague of Wellesley, who purchased it from Dr. W. T. Grenfell's northern mission.

The outstanding feature is a dog sled with its seven dogs and two passengers, giving a correct idea of the way in which a dog sled is harnessed. To make the scene more realistic one dog is straining against his harness to poke his nose into a skin tent of the village which forms the immediate background. Behind the crude homes stand the snow-covered evergreens.

To the doors of the Indian-like wigwams have come some tiny Eskimo men. Others are standing around the sled. These miniature figures are carved from wood and their painted faces, though crude and made with a few cuts of the knife, are typical. To carry out the effect the dolls are dressed in crudely cured skins and their black hair hangs out from under fur bonnets and red scarfs.

This art of carving, painting and dressing the miniatures is one which of late has grown steadily among the fishermen of Labrador. When Dr. Grenfell learned that some of the work of his people had found its way to the Children's Museum he was very much pleased as he has always shown a keen interest in the museum.

DEER ISLAND PRICE
That the State of Massachusetts is seriously considering the purchase of Deer Island from the City of Boston as the site for the proposed new state's prison was indicated yesterday, it was held at the State House, when Channing H. Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth, appointed Homer Loring, chairman of the commission on administration and finance, reported to the State in fixing the value of Deer Island.

GIRLS PRESENT PAGEANT
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 15 (Special).—"Keepers of the Fire," a pageant descriptive of Indian lore, was given here last night in the Trinity Union Methodist Episcopal Church by the Camp Fire Girls of Rhode Island. One hundred girls took part. The pageant was given to aid fund for an extension of the membership of the organization.

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FENCERS CLUB CAPTURES MEET

Takes the Opening Event of the Season—New Trophy Is Donated

Team	W.	L.	P.C.
Fencers Club	3	0	1,000
New York A. C.	2	1	500
Washington Sq. F. C.	1	2	250
Columbia University	1	1	250
Yale University	1	1	250

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The first event of the fencing season, the opening of the new Salle d'Armes of the J. Sanford Salts Fencing Club, resulted in a victory for the Fencers Club of New York in the special team competition with three weapons which was the feature. They captured every match from their five competitors. New York Athletic Club was second with two victories and one defeat, others being tied as the result of double touches in the epee bout.

The representatives of the winning club were Rene Peroy, foil; and three-weapon champion for 1928, foliaman; G. H. Bred, with the epee or dueling sword, and Harold Van Buskirk, who was the sabre wielder. The other teams were:

New York Athletic Club—Leo Nunes, foil; C. C. Shears, epee, and L. H. Wild, sabre.
J. Sanford Salts Fencing Club—George Reimherr Jr., foil; H. E. Twyford, epee, and Albert Bierchen, sabre.
Washington Square Fencers' Club—Nicholas Murray, foil; V. C. Webb, epee, and P. Farley, sabre.
Columbia University—E. B. Barrett, foil; P. Farley, epee, and Henry Bierchen, sabre.
Yale University—G. Huntington, foil; R. D. Elwell, epee, and Seth Hastings, sabre.

Leo Nunes, after an absence of two years, made his appearance for the first time since his capture of the foil and three-weapon championship in 1922, and scored considerable success individually by defeating Rene Peroy, winner of the titles last year. The new Olympic rules reduce the number of touches for victory to three, and Peroy was able to win only one.

A new challenge cup for team competition at fols was presented by Pierre Cartier, the Parisian Jeweler, who is much interested in fencing. This is to be competed for each year, until a club has won it three years in succession. The first competition for the trophy will take place at the new Salle d'Armes Jan. 19, 1929, against the New York representative of Cartier, made the presentation, and H. E. Twyford, president of the Salts Club, accepted for the National Association of Amateur Fencers, under whose auspices the competitions will be held. The summary:

Washington Square Fencers' Club 1, New York Athletic Club 2, J. Sanford Salts Fencers' Club 3, Columbia University 4, George Reimherr Jr. 5, H. E. Twyford 6, Albert Bierchen 7, Nicholas Murray 8, V. C. Webb 9, P. Farley 10, G. Huntington 11, R. D. Elwell 12, Seth Hastings 13, Leo Nunes 14, G. H. Bred 15, Harold Van Buskirk 16, C. C. Shears 17, L. H. Wild 18, E. B. Barrett 19, P. Farley 20, Henry Bierchen 21, G. Huntington 22, R. D. Elwell 23, Seth Hastings 24, Leo Nunes 25, G. H. Bred 26, Harold Van Buskirk 27, C. C. Shears 28, L. H. Wild 29, E. B. Barrett 30, P. Farley 31, Henry Bierchen 32, G. Huntington 33, R. D. Elwell 34, Seth Hastings 35, Leo Nunes 36, G. H. Bred 37, Harold Van Buskirk 38, C. C. Shears 39, L. H. Wild 40, E. B. Barrett 41, P. Farley 42, Henry Bierchen 43, G. Huntington 44, R. D. Elwell 45, Seth Hastings 46, Leo Nunes 47, G. H. Bred 48, Harold Van Buskirk 49, C. C. Shears 50, L. H. Wild 51, E. B. Barrett 52, P. Farley 53, Henry Bierchen 54, G. Huntington 55, R. D. 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Mr. Ross Presents a Study in Lies

The Russian Soviet Republic

By Edward A. Ross. New York: The Century Co. \$2.50.

War and Navy Building. Charles E. Hughes—in morning coat and top hat—should officiate at the lighting. Such, doubtless, would have been its fate had this book been written five years ago—and in those days Professor Ross probably would have been thrown in for good measure! At any rate, "The Russian Soviet Republic" sets about it, step by step, to examine the Allied and particularly the American policies toward the revolutionary regime. And, step by step, it takes issue with those policies and does it with embarrassing conclusiveness. The book, in seriousness of purpose and exhaustiveness of study, is a welcome relief from the platitudinous good will which is the characteristic official attitude toward Russia under the Soviets.

One wonders, for example, what answer the State Department can have to the evidence Mr. Ross introduces to prove that, back in the spring of 1918, rather than have dealings with the Soviets, America and the Allied powers allowed the Germans to get possession of Russia's enormous stores of munitions to use in France, America, and the world through defensible press reports, were led to believe that Russia, following the revolution, laid down her arms, refused to fight, and, in consequence, prolonged the war. But quite the contrary seems to have been the case.

The testimony of Col. Raymond Robins, head of the American Red Cross Mission in Russia, of David R. Francis, former American Ambassador to Russia, and of R. H. Bruce Lockhart, special commissioner in Russia for the British Prime Minister, indicates that only the victimized officials of the governments concerned prevented Russia's renewing the struggle. All the leading Allied representatives on the spot, declares Mr. Ross, agreed that "Bolshevik Russia made a bona fide offer which gave the hard-pressed Allies an opportunity to salvage something from the debacle on the eastern front. But the opportunity was ignored. Washington was silent. London was silent. No reply ever came." This is rather a serious charge. The State Department may, perhaps, have counter-evidence to introduce. Perhaps.

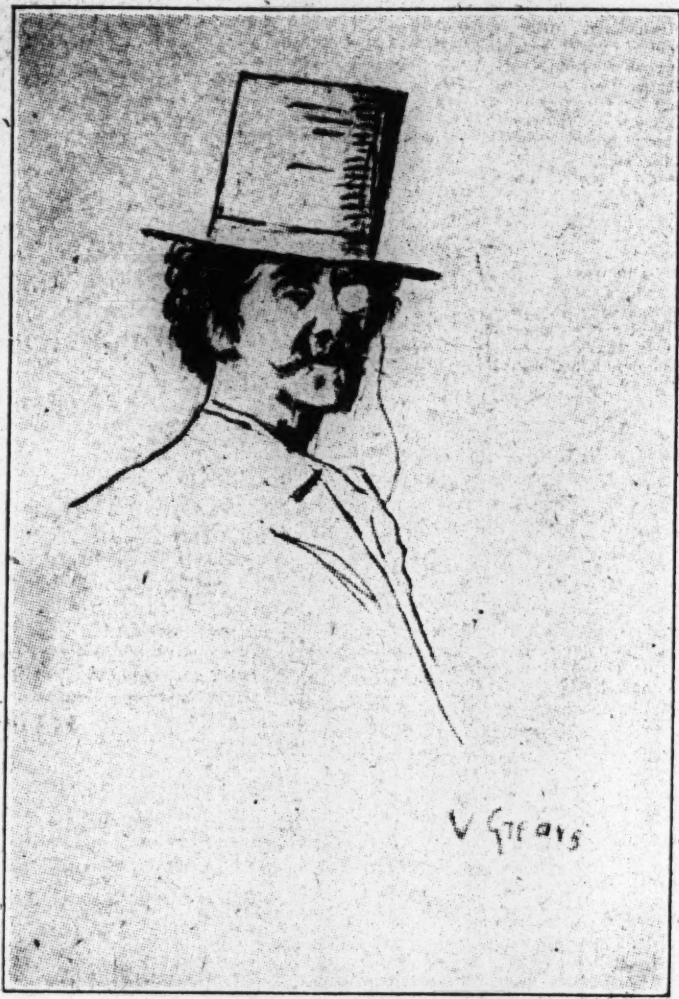
Professor Ross does not, however, attempt to gloss over the ugly facts of the Russian Revolution. The fanaticism, the wantonness, the futile slaughter—these, the dark side of revolutionary Russia, he portrays without veneer. But rather than to ascribe this, with casual superficiality, to the inherent depravity of the Russian masses, he points out that oppression and arrogance and tyrannical stupidity, characteristic of the days of Tsarist glory, brought on their inevitable consequences. Russian aristocracy, like that of France a century and a quarter before, sowed the wind and reaped the whirlwind. And, similarly, the representatives of the world's government fell as far short of adequate evaluation of the significance of the Russian Revolution as contemporary politicians fell short of an accurate estimate of the French Revolution. The status quo is too sacred in the chancelleries to admit that anything but evil could come from out a phenomenon so strangely new.

A considerable portion of this book is devoted to what might be termed a study in lies. It recounts, as samples, 49 of them, 49 varieties of the false—and vicious—anti-bolshevik propaganda which was swallowed, at every American and English breakfast table. The lies, in themselves, are of little interest—they were familiar long before Professor Ross chronicled them. The proof that they are lies, however, is of considerable interest. It is this last fact, but for the truth that seems to be breaking into the news from Russia nowadays, would be certain to curtail considerably the sale of this book.

On the constructive side of his study Professor Ross describes the "new educational policy of Soviet Russia as a natural reaction from Tsarist education. Under Nicholas II a gigantic fraud had been perpetrated on the children of the common people by feeding them husks when they were famishing for bread. The trick was to obscure while seeming to enlighten, to conserve darkness while going through the motions of extending education." The Communists, on the other hand, tore down this system and set up a new system, having for its purpose—first, the establishment of a new Russia, on the foundation of an enlightened electorate; second, the abolition of class distinctions; third, the freeing of the schools from religious subjects and church control; fourth, the securing, for the local community, the control in shaping and conducting their schools.

Still on the constructive phase of

the Russian situation, Professor Ross points to returning economic stability in the country, a fact attested to by most unprejudiced observers. As another constructive result, the Russian



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The gallery of his patrons is bewildering—ranging all the way from prime ministers and titled ladies to humble tradespeople. Take his first important customer, the mysterious Mr. Wright, who collected Dickens and "grangerized" his Forster's "Life" until it filled 12 folio volumes; yet who was discovered in the end to be one of the biggest race-course bookmakers in Paris. Then there was Dr. Edwin Truman, Queen Victoria's dentist, who made his money in an invention bought by the cable company, who was among the first to recognize the genius of George Cruikshank, and who persisted in wearing the same unspeakably shabby silk hat year in and year out. But neither of them was one-half as grotesque as was Mr. W. T. Pevier, a grocer of Pimlico, who bought valuable Dickens items, without the approval of his thrifty wife. When he had made a purchase—say, the four plates to Part I of "Pickwick" in their first state—"my brother had to be at the corner of Lupus Street, and when Mr. Pevier gave him the signal from the shop my brother walked across the street, entered, and asked for a bottle of ginger-beer. The parcel was stealthily handed over during the transaction, and Mr. Pevier was

thus able to smuggle them into the house without his wife observing them. He stored the books, I believe, among the potatoes." After all, people are rather more beguiling than books.

Collectors of Dickens, of Stevenson, of Thackeray, of Whistler and Walter Greaves, of Wilde and Gissing and Meredith, may learn much more from the study of these pages. The extraordinary humanity in the associations with books and people, the unaccountable fluctuations in book values, the points of first editions—did you know that in the earliest issue of "Pickwick" on the engraved title page, "Tony Veller" is spelled with a V, not a W?—there is here much delightful discourse of them all. Again and again, the author's narrative veers back to Charles Dickens, who "has given entrance to human loneliness even in the farthest corners of the world." The man who is not a Dickensian—and they do exist, you know—reads, wonders, but remains unresponsive. Yet even he attends the account of Mr. Spencer's acquaintance with Miss Georgina Hogarth, when she was living alone, an old lady, at Egerton Terrace, Brompton. She was extravagant, it seems, and in order to buy all the expensive cut flowers which she craved, she would send her maid to Mr. Spencer's shop once or twice a week with a rare Dickens item to be turned into cold cash. How it makes us wish that the days of discovery were not ended, that there were still a Holywell Street with bookstalls which warranted search. For years, the most glowing discoveries have been everyday occurrences to Mr. Spencer. If we might confidently expect adventures to equal his, we should all be booksellers without more ado.

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experiment has demonstrated the unworkableness of Communism. And, finally, the author concludes that "in view of the immense stimulus that the Russians have given to the spirit of revolt against grinding conditions, it is safe to predict that the old arrogant, labor-crushing type of employer is doomed to come to grief and that a new, more humane, suave and reasonable type will come to be representative of capitalists."

The Function of Literature

Fantasies and Impromptus

By James Agate. London: W. Collins, 7 St. Mark's, 12s. 6d.

The paper wrapper in which this book is issued informs the public that Mr. Agate is one of the greatest dramatic critics of the day. "Greatest" is a big word, but there is no doubt that James Agate is a genuine critic, taking it to be that the first and chiefest function of criticism is to draw attention to the beauties of the object criticized, to point out faults being the lesser and easier part of a critic's duty. And Mr. Agate does not solely confine his attentions to the drama, but applies his splendid gift of criticism to all sorts and conditions of entertainment, from a play to a prize fight. He is a sportsman and an artist, the devoted lover of a good play, a good book, a good horse or a good sport.

The opening paper of his book, entitled, "Fanfare," is a preliminary flourish on his own trumpet. And it must be said at once that he defends the ego in criticism most ably. But while he is all for his own self-sufficiency, he is rather down on that of others. The easy way in which he scorns and dismisses certain other accepted canons of criticism and philosophy, from Shakespeare to Shaw, is to put it mildly, pleasant. In his splendid paper on Sarah Bernhardt he dismisses Shaw's famous criticism and comparison of that great actress with her great contemporary Duse, far too summarily. And this notwithstanding that Mr. Agate's own summary of Bernhardt's place in the theater is, in effect, much the same as Shaw's. He says: "To sum up, consider this: that in classic drama Bernhardt ranked next to Rachel, that in modern, realistic plays she was within measurable distance of Duse. In romantic rubbish, which she galvanized into semblance of life by personality alone, she was admittedly unrivaled; in pure poetry she achieved heights which no other actress has even begun to scale. In other words, whatever Rachel and Duse could do Sarah did almost as well; that which she did supremely well they could not attempt, might mean anything—or nothing."

The last sentence is beside the mark. No serious critic ever did pretend that the world ever looked again upon the like of any genius. Genius, surely, is essentially individual. Also, to say that what Rachel and Duse could do Sarah did almost as well, while that which she did supremely well they could not attempt, might mean anything—or nothing.

In another place Mr. Agate states that the fact of a great actress submerging or completely changing her personality marks her out as strictly second rate; which is as much as to say that skill in the easier departments of art is proof positive of the

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lack of it in the more difficult. But in spite of these absurd illogicalities and limitations in a critic whose insight is keener than his vision, the article on Sarah Bernhardt is an amazingly convincing tribute. The best, perhaps, that was paid to the great artist. Perhaps, after it, the best essay in the book is that entitled, "The Ring and the Tan." Where Mr. Agate loves most he writes best; and one would say that the two great loves of his life are Sarah Bernhardt and a good horse. And reading this essay shows that he not only loves, but knows, a good horse; and his love and knowledge would kindle the utmost enthusiasm for that magnificent animal in the most ignorant reader.

His essay on the "Happy Cricketer," too, is first rate; so also is his tribute to the "Old Timers" of the music hall in "Thus to Revisit." But in "A Piece of the Old Brigade," a pastiche à la Walkley, he is not so successful in his way. James Agate is certainly a unique writer; but he is more of a lover than a critic. He is a mixture of Lamb, George Borrow, and Daudet, a "Beloved Vagabond" of literature, a lover of the road, sometimes intolerant, occasionally impertinent, always interesting; and, on the whole, a real acquisition to the literature of human life.

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BOOK REVIEWS AND LITERARY NEWS

Reactions of a Reader

ACTUALLY the binding and the subtitle, "A Sedate Extravaganza," reveal more than we could possibly do. Seldom was so suitable a format, though personally we deplore the contrast of red with brown, colors which our world would be as felicitous without. However, one delicious dip into "Jennifer Lorn," by Elinor Wylie (New York: George H. Doran Company, \$2.50), and our mild objections are forgotten; for the marbled covers with their plain cloth back and corners are eloquent of the setting of the story—England, and India under Warren Hastings, in the late seventeenth century. We range with Gerald Poynter and his adorably fragile bride, from London's grim black and white parquets and chaste Adam panelings to the florid colors and exotic elegances of Gerald's miniature palace of the outskirts of Calcutta. It may amaze you to find Jennifer Lorn serenely quavering the plaintive airs of Scottish bands, in her seceded chamber framed in Indian gilding and peacock-blue jalousies, unless you are reminded that one of her ancestors was Countess of Tamburlaine and Carterhaugh and, though "she had some difficulty in persuading the king to allow her to incorporate the name of the conqueror of Asia in the good old Scottish appellation," the intervention of the Earl of Mar, a close family friend, decided the matter to the lady's satisfaction. You see, then, that Jennifer Lorn, daughter of Lord Tam-Linn, had come into her own.

Elinor Wylie has contrived to be fastidiously cynical and to satirize a period without for a single moment slipping into burlesque or overstepping the bounds of taste—a very real achievement. Her two principal characters are engagingly consistent in their exaggeration. Her whole fabric is as pungent as ephemeral as the snuff which Gerald pinched from his emerald box. The story's phrasing is often as astonishingly beautiful as it is unexpected; and the plot sweeps on to a supremely comical climax. The whole is entertainment such as is seldom encountered. The last page is turned with that almost too poignant satisfaction that comes when the curtain falls upon such a perfect performance as that of Molnar's "The Swan." You may observe that we have told you practically nothing of the contents of this book. That is because we cannot attempt the imprisonment of its charm in words which serve us so imperfectly. When a poet writes fiction, it is fairly safe to be of interest; and this first novel of Miss Wylie's is no exception to the common rule.

It remains to be seen whether Mr. Sinclair Lewis' public will be pleased or not. "Everyone has expected that his next book would take New York as its setting; that it would be the finish of a trilogy of which "Main Street" represents the small town, "Babbitt" the small city, and a third novel the metropolis. But rumor reports otherwise. It says that Mr. Lewis is wandering far afield, that his hero is to be a natural scientist, his background here, there, and everywhere. Why may not an author occasionally do the unexpected?

It is a rich feast that Mr. T. Sturge Moore has spread from the stores left by the two ladies of eminent gifts who wrote under the name of Michael Field. In "A Selection From the Poems of Michael Field" (London: The Poetry Bookshop, 5s. net) the questions of authorship—Miss Bradley or Miss Cooper—are only partially answered; and, in effect, the "Selections" are throughout treated as the work of Michael Field, who in the eighties rose upon the literary world to be hailed as a star of the first magnitude. It is a various talent rather than a dual which is expressed in these poems. Could "A Branch of Lilies," the terrible "Dance" of Salome, and "The Old Hundred Year" possibly proceed from the same hand, we ask? Yet this contrast by no means covers the diversity these selections embrace. Many of these poems are of the very essence of poetry. "Blue feathers on the floor, and no cuckoo flying." Some fire, some exuberance, is gone from the later verses. We feel the grasp of a handicap as if the individual genius were under orders which, consciously or unconsciously on the part of the poet, dulled the first rapture. The peculiar excellence of this double talent loses by translation into the dramatic form. Nectar is for cups, not gallon jugs, however carven.

We lay no claim to scholarship. We studied disgracefully little English grammar in our day, retained still

less. By which we mean to say that we are utterly unable to quote you grammatical rules and maxims: we struggle along somehow, guided by instinct and the mere sound of the words in their sequence. It is odd what service the ear will do. But we did suppose that there were definite, inescapable rules governing singular and plural numbers. On the jacket of Mr. Bohun Lynch's new novel, "A Perfect Day" (London: Collins, 5s.), the question is asked: "Has any one known in all their life one really perfectly happy day?" To our ear, this is quite wrong, likewise offensive; but we know well that in England it is sanctioned. It must be either right or wrong. Which?

Evidently it was again but simple ignorance on our part. We wrote, innocently enough, we thought, that textbooks might well be made more artistic, to carry an appeal to their enforced readers. Ever since we have been inundated by textbooks, rhetorics, primers, geographies, histories, readers. These, we confess, offer proof of our mistake. We desire to doff our hat to Ginn & Company of Boston. Their school edition of "The Vicar of Wakefield," with its illustrations by Brock, is all we could ask. Their "America: A History of Our Country," by William J. Long, carries finely imaginative illustrations, some of which are from paintings by N. C. Wyeth; their New Beacon Primer boasts not only bold black type, but daintily colored illustrations full of fun and action, while much the same might be said for their edition of Grimm's Fairy Tales. We presume we merely fell into the easy practice of judging school books by those we remember from our own remote and ineffective attempts at getting an education.

We have been gloating over Katherine Mansfield's "A Suburban Fairy Tale," in the December number of The Adelphi. It has the elusive Mansfield charm. It is to be hoped that there is no ground for the report, current in literary circles, that Miss Mansfield did not desire the posthumous publication of these stories and fragments. The knowledge would go far to spoil our pleasure. M. W.

Mr. Moul's Anthology

The Best Poems of 1922

Mr. Moul's selections for his anthology have been drawn from both English and American sources. A greater variety is made possible by this method of culling from periodicals on each side of the water, and a distinctive collection is the result. The dedication is to Alice Meynell, and she has made in three stanzas called "The Poet and His Book" a fitting return: Here are my thoughts, alive within this fold, My simple sheep. Their shepherd, I grow wise As dearly, gravely, deeply I behold Their different eyes.

Oh distant pastures in their blood! Oh From watersheds that fed them for this prison: Lights from aloft, midsummer suns in dreams, Set and arisen.

They wander out, but all return anew. The small ones, to this heart to which they cling: "And those that are with young," the fruitful few That are with young.

Always felicitous in musical expression of her thoughts, when has she ever been more happily lucid than in these perfectly wrought stanzas? Joseph Auslander's "Is This the Lark?" has a well-deserved place in Mr. Moul's compilation. Mr. Auslander's verse is already a joy, and this rich flowering is the result of a conscientious and painstaking artistry, which he has never allowed to descend to please a popular audience.

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measures, and the poem would, undoubtedly, take a high place with the other earlier lark lyrics but for one fault. It is a trifle too reminiscent, and to quote Shelley's well-known lines somewhat takes away from the performance, otherwise spontaneous and inspiring:

Is this the lark
Lord Shakespeare heard
Out of the dark
Of dawn? Is this the bird
That stirred
Lord Shakespeare's heart?

Is this the bird whose wing,
Whose rapturous anthem,
Rose up, soared radiant, became
Sharp flame
To Shelley listening
And made him sing
Throbbing alone, aloof, feveredly apart,
His promise strains of unpremeditated art?

To think that I should hear him now
Telling that single very rift of heaven a
wild lark comes!
The fresh cool scent of earth years at
the plough;
In short, keen, rapid furies the wood-
pecker drums
To think that I should hear that mad
thing sliding
Along a smoking opal ladder:
Heard that inevitable deluge of music
rising
Into the sun, richer now—fainter now—
muffled?
To think that I should hear and know
The song that Shelley heard, and Shake-
speare, long ago!

Mary Johnston's "Virginiana" is an achievement in free verse, picturesque and with many lovely glowing lines. It would be a thing of greater beauty did not the historical element enter into it a little too heavily.

Sapphire-shadowed, deep-bosomed, long-limbed,
Mountains lie in the garden of the sky.
Evening is a passion flower, morning is a rose!

do not coalesce with "George Rogers Clarke takes Kagaskia and Vincennes." Here her hand falls too weightily. Nothing is this but prose, however artfully inserted within beautifully descriptive poetry.

J. C. Squire, Richard Aldington and Joan Dringwater are fittingly represented by work, which, if not their best, is by no means unworthy of them.

Evening Underhill contributes a skillfully fashioned song, a seemingly simple expression of a simple theme, but in reality the result of a consummate artistry.

WHITSUN EVE
Come with birds' voices when the light grows dim,
Yet lovelier in departure, and more dear:
While the warm flush hangs still at Heaven's rim,
And the one star shines clear.

Though the swift night hastes to awaken
Stay thou and stir not, brooding on
The deep:
Thy secret lore, thy living word let say
Within the senses' sleep.

Softer than dew. But when the mountain wind
Blows down the world, O Spirit, show
Thy power!
Quicken the dreams within the languid mind,
And bring thy seed to flower.

There are many other poems of charm and distinction in this anthology, although it possesses the merit of not being too exhaustive. A slender garland of choice flowers.

Holland has recently lost one of her most creditable writers, Marcellus Emants. Born 76 years ago, the son of well-to-do parents in The Hague, able to write without the worries that ordinarily bother men of letters, he became really famous with his two-volume novel "Inwyrding" (Entrance into Life) in 1901. A number of his works have been translated into foreign languages. One of his most popular dramas, "For the Sake of the People," achieved a relatively wide success on the European stage. His poems were heavily touched with pessimism, his travel sketches were noted for their fine display of the powers of observation, his essays were always fearless, uncompromising, bright.

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By Sir James Rennell Rodd, K.C.M.G., London: Arnold, 21s. net.

The second volume of Sir James Rennell Rodd's "Social and Diplomatic Memories" deals with the author's experiences while serving in an official capacity in Egypt, during the period 1894 to 1901, and includes an interesting account of his remarkable mission to Abyssinia in 1897. Sir James' original intention was to conclude the record of these memories in a second volume; but, when the story of his Egyptian experiences came to be written, "it grew to a compass which would have left little room for a still longer subsequent period." In the present volume, however, Sir James deals in considerable detail with a vividly interesting period of Egyptian history, and, although he writes rather of personalities than of policies, his work is a notable contribution to the crowded history of nineteenth-century Imperialism.

A Model of Discretion

If Sir James has conformed in certain minor respects to some of the less desirable traditions of autobiography, he has resisted the all too common temptation of being sensational. His work is a model of discretion. He has no startling revelations to make, no official secrets to publish and no scandals about prominent public men. His story is just a sober recital of events and personalities as he saw them. His language is the language of the nineties and his elaborate formal periods lend a dignity to his pages by no means inappropriate to their theme. It is, therefore, the more to be regretted that he has fallen so completely a victim to the "funny story" tradition. This seems the hardest of all to escape and must, we imagine, be resorted to under a misguided conception of the necessity for comic relief in an otherwise serious work. Sir James' funny stories have all the importance of persistence of stage clowns, and the same irritating disregard for the business that is going forward on the stage. Writers of memoirs should learn that a witty remark made in the nineties is apt to have lost its flavor by the time it comes to be retailed in the present day. They should realize that a joke is not a thing which can be put into cold storage and brought to table at leisure. Jokes are being turned out in hundreds every day and, naturally, people like to have them fresh.

The Work of Lord Cromer

The extraordinary diplomatic situation, arising out of the British occupation of Egypt, and the numerous international complications of which it was directly or indirectly the cause,

have been a fruitful source of literature for many years past, and Sir James does not claim to add to what is already known of its purely historical aspect. His special aim in this book has been to throw a clearer light on the work and personality of Lord Cromer and, by recalling "certain intimate memories of a great man," to help both the British and the Egyptians to a fuller appreciation of the debt of gratitude which they owe to the great "Proconsul." The writer maintains that the true greatness of Cromer as an administrator has never been properly realized, either by his own countrymen or by that oppressed and disordered people whose prosperity he so successfully restored. His own intimate association with Cromer, during the long years of turmoil which culminated in the Fashoda incident, must certainly have given him an insight into the character of his chief which few were privileged to enjoy, and he can speak with the authority of a close personal knowledge.

In writing of his own personal achievements in the diplomatic sphere, Sir James observes a reticence which leaves us rather in the dark as to what his duties were, and it is only when he allows us to accompany him on his journey to the fairy palace of the "King of Kings" that we have a glimpse of the author in his official capacity. His chief concern, as we have shown, has been to tell us what others did—and he has told it admirably.

It is interesting to learn that Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" is one of the "best sellers" at the present time in Turkey. More than thirty years ago "Pilgrim's Progress" was translated into Greek and Armenian by American missionaries, but the Turkish translation was made only last May, by Nefadi Bey of Smyrna; the work being supervised by Dr. F. W. MacCallum of the American Bible House in Constantinople. Three thousand copies have been recently published in the Turkish language in Constantinople.

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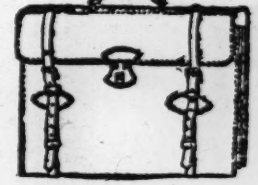
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Music News and Reviews

Romanticism Rules Boston

Symphony's Eighth Program

The eighth concert by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Pierre Monteux, conductor, took place yesterday afternoon in Symphony Hall.

Lionel Tertis was the soloist.

The program:

Beethoven—Overture to "Egmont."
Schumann—Symphony No. 4 in D minor.
Brahms—Concerto in G minor for violin and orchestra.
Berlioz—Roméo et Juliette.
Chopin—Prelude in A-flat major and "Ballade" in G-flat major.

Romanticism held full sway yesterday afternoon (for how else may the Beethoven of "Egmont" be tagged and classified?) and never did music sound fresher or more convincing. Curiously enough only that of York Bowen, of our own time, seemed faded and worn. But in reality the date of a composition has little to do with its musical content and although here and there the turn of a phrase, or a harmonic formula may remind us of the passing years, such music as that of Beethoven, Schumann and Brahms played yesterday will never grow old or worn.

In "Egmont" Mr. Monteux again gave one of the interpretations of Beethoven which will long be associated with his name here. It was dramatic without exaggeration, forceful without violence and above all it was Beethoven, not Monteux. Schumann's symphony again recalls the familiar criticism that he little understood the orchestra. But is not his orchestration a natural outcome of his musical ideas? And after all, who would have it changed? In the hands of less skilled conductors and played by an orchestra less perfect than the Boston Symphony may well sound ineffective. Yesterday it only served to reveal more fully, if that were possible, the perfections to which the orchestra has attained.

And so, too, did the playing of the fragments from Berlioz' "Roméo and Juliette." Would that the entire symphony might be given here before Mr. Monteux's departure, for he alone of recent conductors understands the real spirit of this music. Mr. Longy, whose solo formed the greater part of the first movement, has been so familiar a figure for so many years that his remarkable qualities as an artist have too often been taken for granted. He is the greatest glory of the orchestra; let no one who heard him play yesterday deny it. Beauty of tone and phrasing characterized his playing, but more than this it was colored with the poetic imagination of a great artist.

Mr. Tertis played the viola part in York Bowen's concerto, and almost succeeded in making this essentially dull music interesting. His tone is rich and pure, and he is the master of every technical resource of the instrument. He is also a musician of taste and refinement, who gave us a pleasure by his playing, a welcome addition to our concert rooms. S. M.

Ernest Ansermet Conducts the Royal Philharmonic

LONDON, Nov. 27—Willem Mengelberg, who had not appeared in England for years, was to have conducted the Royal Philharmonic Society's concert at Queen's Hall on Nov. 22. As he was unavoidably prevented from doing so, another conductor had to be sought and another program planned, with the result that the French-Swiss musician, Ernest Ansermet, took command. The first half of his program contained rather poor performances of Beethoven's overture to "Egmont" and Mozart's G minor symphony; the second contained outstandingly fine performances of "Chant de Jote" (Arthur Honegger), "Daphnis and Chloé" (Maurice Ravel), and "Hunnen-schlacht" (Liszt).

In anticipation, Honegger's work attracted most attention, since this was its first performance in London, and followed closely upon a concert of works by the "Avant Garde" at Aeolian Hall on the same day. In actuality, it was a disappointment. The music depicts one of those hurly-burlys which have been already (and as the present writer thinks) better drawn by Stravinsky in "Petroushka" and Arthur Bliss in "Rout." Beside them Honegger's scoring is clumsy, his "crushed chords" obvious. Nor are his themes original. The first appears to be an imitated piano recital of John Ireland's "Ragamuffin," the second a souvenir of Wagner's "Siegfried Idyl"—both delightful in themselves, but not yet commensurate property. Ravel's perfectly imagined and constructed "Daphnis and Chloé" supplied a devastating comment on Honegger's amateurish excursions. For Miss Dorothy Shaw, the soloist of the evening, there can be nothing but praise. Her singing of the aria, "Comfort Sweet," by Bach, was as beautiful as the extremely beautiful music required. M. M. S.

Paderewski

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10 (Special Correspondence)—Gen. Josef Haller, head of an army which Paderewski recruited, Mayor Moore and the Chief Justice of the Commonwealth, were among the 3200 persons who heard Paderewski play for nearly three hours in the supreme piano recital of the season. There are pianists who approach, equal, and possibly excel the technique of Poland's ex-Premier, but none else brings to the platform that unique combination of art and personality, the divination of poet and seer, with the control of all the resources of the keyboard. Paderewski was at his greatest in this program, made up of his own Variations and Fugue, op. 23, the Beethoven sonata op. 27, No. 1, Liszt's B minor sonata, a Chopin group comprising the F minor Ballade, the D flat Nocturne, the B flat minor Scherzo, and a Rubinstein bracket that inclosed the Barcarolle in A minor, the C major Etude and the Valse Caprice. The enclosures were a Chopin Mazurka, Chopin's A

flat Polonaise, Debussy's "Reflets dans l'Eau" and Liszt's "Campanella." Paderewski's own composition, it should be said in candor, was the least interesting as well as the longest number on the program. In this music there were many of those mighty percussions which give color to the charge that at times the master pounds till he evokes from the wires a roar of remonstrance. With Beethoven came gentler dynamics, the tender caress of the keys at the opposite dynamic extreme from the thunder previously elicited.

The Chopin numbers left nothing to ask in the way of "the singing touch," the various moods and subtle atmospheric nuances that must fully have realized the composer's own intention. To compare one player's reading of Chopin with another's is a thankless task, but it hardly seems possible that Paderewski's reading of the giant trio of Chopin numbers that he chose will be superseded in this generation.

When it came to the Liszt Sonata and the Rubinstein numbers, one felt that the pianist's art was larger and nobler than the material to which he applied it. The music was redeemed from theatricalism and artificiality by the grandeur of the interpretation it received. It was a pleasure to hear the Debussy "Reflets" played in a fashion to show that Paderewski, while not "the first by whom the new is tried," is catholic in his tastes and not exclusive of modern tendencies. F. L. W.

"The Potters"

Special from Monitor Bureau

PLYMOUTH THEATRE, beginning Dec. 8, 1928, Richard Herndon presents "The Potters," by J. P. McEvoy (based on newspaper stories of the same name). Staged by Augustin Duncan. The cast:

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Anabelle.....Helen Chandler

On the program "The Potters" is a modestly and conventionally called "a new American comedy." It is much more than that. It would not, we think, have been claiming too much for it to have styled it "humor in a new form—the form of impressionism." The Potters is "Roger Bloomer," "The Fallures," "From Morn to Midnight," "Johannes Kreiser," and "The Hair Ape," as seen and touched by the Comic Muse. There are scenes that are just as true and are just as well acted as were any of the scenes in the above named plays.

The story of "The Potters" concerns Pa Potter, one of the thousands we meet every day in the subway. He is induced by two sharpers to invest in oil. All goes badly for a while, but there is in reality a golden lining to the cloud. The bare story is, however, the smallest part of what Mr. McEvoy gives us. It is his constant comment upon and series of truthful studies from life that is the charm of his work. Consider his subway greetings:

How are you?
Oh, pretty well. How's yourself?
What do you know?
Oh, nothing much.
Same here.
How're you getting along?
Just fine. As you gettin' along all right?
I'll say I am. So long.

His keen observation of the little commonplaces of the life are remarkably fine. It has been said that "an audience likes to be told what it already knows." If that is true, and it very likely is, large audiences will assemble at the Plymouth Theatre to be told, to see, and to laugh at, what is going on around them constantly; and then go and tell others how true to life it all is, so that they may go and be entertained, thus making "The Potters" the success it deserves to be.

Mr. Herndon has provided a cast that is in the main satisfactory. But standing out in bold and shining relief are Donald Meek who plays Pa, and Raymond Guion as Bill Potter, the boy of the Potter family.

Augustin Duncan has staged the play well and Woodman Thompson, who has been doing such good work for the Equity Players, has made the praiseworthy scenic production. Mr. Thompson has an understanding of the value of speed in the changing of stage settings. He has established a new record for the shortness of time between scenes. F. L. S.

Arts and Crafts Playhouse of Carmel, California

CARMEL, Cal., Dec. 1 (Special Correspondence)—The new little theater of the Arts and Crafts Society of Carmel was formally opened the last week of November with two performances of Lord Dunsany's "The Queen's Ransom," and two performances, for the first time on any stage, of an original Chinese comedy, "The Thrice Promised Bride," by Cheng-Chin Hsiung, a Chinese student associated with the Community Players of North Carolina. Both plays were produced under the direction of John Northern Hillard.

The new Arts and Crafts playhouse

AMUSEMENTS

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"Canadian Soldier," Painted by Augustus John, A. R. A.
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is an attractive redwood building situated in a pine grove. It has a large stage, thoroughly equipped. It seats 400, more than double the capacity of the old Arts and Crafts theater, which has served the dramatic needs of the Carmel community for the last decade and a half. A movement is now under way to affiliate the Arts and Crafts new theater with the Forest Theater and to put both playhouses under one director. It is likely that John Northern Hillard will be selected to fill the post. He has been producing in the Forest Theater for the last 10 years and has also directed many indoor productions in the old Arts and Crafts theater.

Pasadena Community Playhouse

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 7 (Special Correspondence)—"The Merchant of Venice" was recently revived at the Pasadena Community Playhouse with outstandingly fine performances. The production was permeated with a Renaissance feeling. The scenery and costumes were designed and carried out by art students of the University of California, southern branch. A permanent forestage was used for the 12 scenes, the only changes being made in a series of backdrops, which were adapted from well-known pictures by Sienna painters.

The leading parts were all done adequately. Gilmor Brown's Shylock was a fine interpretation. While picturing the Jew as vindictive, he made him none the less human in other moments.

New York Stage Notes

Special from Monitor Bureau
NEW YORK, Dec. 14—George Bernard Shaw has furnished the Theater Guild with a shortened version of "Saint Joan." The Guild cabled Shaw during the first week of rehearsals of his new play, that suburbanites would rush from the theater for the last train without missing a single moment of the play. Shaw replied, "Change the railroad schedule." The Guild cabled back: "Railroads obdurate. We throw ourselves on your mercy." And this brought the answer, "Sending revised script."

"Rose-Anne," a play about rural Negroes of Georgia by Nan Bagby Stevens, will open at the Greenwich Village Theater, Dec. 29.

AMUSEMENTS

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MONDAY, Dec. 17 at 8—"AFRICANA," with Raisa Moiseyeva, Marshall Forman, Cotterell, Kipnis; Bolm, Ludmila and Ballet. Condr. Panizza.

TUESDAY, Dec. 18 at 8—"DORAH," with Gail-Curt, Maxwell, Meide, Mojica, Rimm, Panizza.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19 at 8—"FORZA DEL DESTINO," with Musio, Crimi, Formich, Lazar, Condr. Polaretti.

THURSDAY, Dec. 20 at 8—"HANSSEL AND GRETEL," with Musio, Crimi, Formich, Panizza, Pavloska, Maxwell, Clemons, Feranda, Beck, Condr. St. Lager. Ballet diversions by Bolm, Ludmila and ballet. Condr. Van Grove.

FRIDAY, Dec. 21 at 8—Special performance—"BARBER OF SEVILLE," with Gail-Curt, Schipa, Rimm, Trevisan, Arimondi. Condr. Panizza.

SATURDAY, Dec. 22 at 2—"OTELLO," with Raisa Moiseyeva, Marshall Forman, Cotterell, Kipnis, Bolm, Ludmila and Ballet. Condr. Panizza.

SUNDAY, Dec. 23 at 2—"SNOW BIRD," (in English), by Theodore Stearns, with Maxwell, Lamont, Cotterell, Condr. Van Grove.

Regular Prices: \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$4, \$5. Popular Prices Saturday Nights: \$2, \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$4, \$5. Baldwin Piano Used Exclusively

eral indifference and apathy to aestheticism, common to pioneer countries in labor, being leavened by wise and patient efforts on the part of the director and trustees of the Gallery. There have been valuable accessions to the Gallery in the form of oils, water colors and prints; musical "gatherings" on special evenings among the works of art; lectures both at home and abroad, and loan exhibitions in most of the large cities from coast to coast.

Among the works of modern painters recently acquired stands out "A Canadian Soldier" by Augustus John, A. R. A., and "The Word" by F. Cayley Robinson, A. R. A., besides works by William Strang, R. A., Charles Ricketts, A. R. A., Mrs. A. L. Swynnerton, A. R. A., Walter Russell, A. R. A., Russell Flint, Dorothy Hawksley, and others.

"L'Art Urbain"

PARIS, Nov. 30 (Special Correspondence)—"L'Art Urbain," the exhibition organized by M. Marcel Temporal, shows an attitude of modern research, but this new architecture is cold and not graceful. Flat facades, cubistic terraces and mournful alignment of the windows, do not make for much cheerfulness. They make for excessive simplicity. Like all reforms this one goes beyond its aims. The reformers are implacable; they severely reject any kind of sensibility.

There is an interesting library of M. Dufrene, with comfortable armchairs, where everything is arranged to create an atmosphere of profitable reflection among books. There is an agreeable dining-room of mahogany by M. Follet.

M. Paul Poiret has sent an elegant dining-room for the country which may be praised without reserve. It is brightly colored but harmonious. With its chairs favoring of the Venetian eighteenth century, its cupboard, and its general arrangement, it offers a cheerful spectacle. Ruhlmann exhibits a writing-table of such precious finish and beautiful lines that it rivals fine ancient models.

AMUSEMENTS

NEW YORK

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Mats. Wed. & Sat. at 2:15
"Scaramouche"
A ROMANTIC PLAY by Rafael Sabatini

PRINCESS SUNUP
29th, East 6 St. Eves. 8:15
Mats. Thurs. & Sat. 2:15
A ROMANTIC PLAY by Rafael Sabatini

LIBERTY THEA., W. 42 St. Eves. 8:30
Mats. Wed. & Sat. at 2:15
"The Magic Ring"

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New York Book Sales

Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, Dec. 9—Part II of the literary collection of William F. Gable, consisting entirely of Americana, realized the sum of \$21,521 at the sale just concluded at the American Art Galleries. Thirty documents, letters and special volumes relating to George Washington were among the most sought after items. The autograph letter to Thomas Paine, dated Philadelphia, May 6, 1792, and referring to that author's "The Rights of Man," was sold for \$360.

At a later date the collection of first editions of W. M. Thackeray gathered by Herman L. R. Edgar will be presented at public auction at these galleries; among the rarities of this author will be seen an uncut edition of "The Snob," original boards, 1829. The libraries of Jules Kahn of Chicago, Ellen B. Roberts, J. B. Ward, Charles B. Eddy of Plainfield, N. J., William Gates of Charlottesville, Va., H. C. Holmes of San Francisco, and

Col. William Barbour are also announced in the prospectus issued by these galleries.

The Holmes collection is of American and, among its most important offerings is a complete set of "The Californian," the first newspaper published in that State. The Gates collection, relating exclusively to Mexico and Central America, has been long recognized as the greatest in its field, either in private or public hands.

At the Anderson Galleries a three-day sale just concluded of historic Western broadsides, books and manuscripts from a New York collection, fetched \$32,713. The hitherto unknown plan of the explorer, Louis A. Tarascon, in 1836, for a great Western migration and occupation of Oregon, was sold for \$875.

"Hadda Padda," a drama by the Icelandic author, Gudmundur Kamban, which has been produced in Copenhagen with success, has been filmed in the natural setting in Iceland. Among the performers were Clara Pontoppidan, the Copenhagen actress, Svend Methling, and Alice Frederiksen.

AMUSEMENTS

BOSTON

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English Woman Exhibition Shows Work in Many Mediums

Special Correspondence
THIS year the annual English Woman Exhibition of Arts and Handicrafts at the Central Hall, Westminster, achieved a higher standard of excellence than has ever before been reached.

One of the most striking exhibits was a fourfold work by Miss Lilla Golden and Mr. Oswald C. Williams. Decorated with graceful, stylized figures painted against a background of rich blue, it was a masterpiece of fine contrast. Among other things on this stand were two or three sets of painted toilet brushes, with figure designs in choice coloring, and accessories to match.

On another stand in the center of the hall was a display of original pottery work by Miss Alice L. Baker. A charming new idea shown there was a small round candy box, with the word "Candy" and a design on it of acorns in relief. A square biscuit box looked very effective with a sprig of fir cones embossed upon it.

Near by, in a central position, was a stand with a new interpretation, by Miss Beatrice M. White, of the ancient Chinese lacquer.

Glass Cutters and Weavers

The Company of Bristol Glass Cutters exemplified a revival of old craft. The firm are not at present making their own glass, but are confining themselves to the cutting. A sugar bowl and cream jug, copied exactly from old patterns, the original of the jug being in the Bristol Museum, were delightful examples of their work.

The weavers were well represented, one of the best stands belonging to the Barclay Weavers, an industry which employs 150 women. Here were seen some new cushion covers in cotton and wool in plain colors, such as orange with a stripe at each end, and some very delightful little woven serviettes, each in which each individual serviette is kept in the French fashion, between meals.

The beautiful and characteristic hand-weaving of Dennis V. Baker was seen on another stand. The vegetable dyes used give wonderful colors, and the way in which a jumper is both shaded and woven in patterns of stripes from the line of the waist downward, the pattern being repeated on the shoulders and sleeve edges, is most effective, and makes this particular weaver's work distinctive.

There were two stained-glass window exhibits, one by Miss Jessie M. Jacob, in addition to some interesting work by Miss A. M. West, a revival of the old silk ware which was in general use before the introduction of china.

Miss Kate Kitching showed for the first time some of her lovely miniature birds and animals in china. Heretofore these have only been exhibited along with the well-known Chelsea figures by Miss Parnell, in whose studio Miss Kitching has worked for some years. There was a grouse in leather done for a special order, and a delightful group of four field mice.

A Self-Taught Jeweler
Among a number of jewelers, Miss H. M. Seaborn's work was particularly interesting because of the fact that when living in the north part of Vancouver Island, B. C., far from craft-training centers, she taught herself the work. She specializes in the Chinese mandarin form of pendant, but also exhibited some exclusive designs in combination, beautiful example being set in oxidized silver, having a pearl blister at the base, with a double diadem of moonstones and blue chalcedony.

Miss Seaborn is at present working in Southampton, where another exhibit of jewelry also resides, Miss M. A. Lisle, on whose stand were seen some very beautiful long earrings and effective cloak chains, which can be used also as dress ornaments. One of these in California pearls was surrounded by a wreath of convolvulus leaves in silver, with here and there a chalcedony or a green carnelian picking up the colors of the central pearl.

The toy exhibits were numerous, and showed a high standard as regards workmanship and artistic merit. Some of the most original toys were those shown by Miss Marguerite Nalder, including a musical box in the shape of Peter Pan's little red house in the tree tops. Miss M. G. Hetherington's Happy Family toys made another corner of the Exhibition Hall gay with color. One of her new ideas is a charming little stool, with box-seat for holding toys.

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It is painted blue with a border of white ducks.

Needlecraft was represented on a number of stalls. Very individual and charming were the results obtained by Mrs. Marie Smith, with her bags, pendants, and neckbands embroidered with tiny flowers of ribbon work and beads. Characteristic Near East embroideries were displayed on stands devoted to Yugoslav Industries and Polish and Russian needlecraft.

Pausing before the beautiful and original embroidered coats on the stand of the Officers' Families' Industries, a visitor to the exhibition observed, "I have been studying hand-made things for 30 years, and have never seen anything like these." He also remarked on the style being equal to that of the most celebrated dressmaking firms, while the cost is very considerably less. One of the newest models seen were coats embroidered all over with wool in Czechoslovakian coloring and individual designs on specially made net, one a cinnamon-brown with an orange and black line check and a medallion in the center of each check in purple and red and green, the same colors being repeated in the design on the roll collar.

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groups. Others have borders formed like long petals and made of self-colored net, or petals cut from the linen itself, as an edging.
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Sports handkerchiefs show amusing birds, printed in colors and then sketchily embroidered.

Gift Maker Studies Art, Not Technic

THE proprietor of an attractive gift shop in New York, Miss Rena Rosenthal, who has also a mail order business throughout the United States by means of which she supplies gift shops, hotels, perfume and candy dealers with containers and novelties, said to the writer: "I attribute my success to my own study of the applied arts and my interest in them, and to my helpers, all of whom have had art training. I take great care to select or originate only good designs and to have them carefully executed."

"I constantly increase my reference library and make it a point to create from my own resources instead of copying from others. During my 10 years' experience in this work I have found a great improvement in the general taste of the public. Many shops are now willing to pay a little better prices, even for small gifts, so as to get something of really good design and color, instead of the elaborate gifts formerly carried to the exclusion of those which are simpler and better."

"Luckily for us, many people now prefer designs of a modern character, which allows us to make a much more free use of our creative abilities. We do not consider it art, but only technic, merely to copy period designs."

From the Wildwood

ONCE upon a time on a December day, Miss Edna B. Tuthill gathered from the wintry woods an armful of wild things. When she separated them for decorations she discovered so many growths suggestive of form or action that she began to model them and group them into statuesque compositions. Certain little sticks and twigs, with every curve and leap of their lines, she made for a dancer to pirouette on, or, "I am a lovely gesture for her arms to express." From them were made the exquisite, airy ballerine which the Art Alliance is exhibiting in New York. Other tiny twigs suggested huddled figures, and Miss Tuthill composed her "Old Man in a Storm," one of her most dramatic pieces of wildwood sculpture. Again, it will be a fungus or a bit of bark which expresses some story or mood.

These little figures and groups are only a few inches high, but they are truly expressive of action and emotion. Gradually Miss Tuthill is learning to give them substantiality and durability.
"It has become a matter of pride with me," she said, "not to manipulate the materials; they are used almost exactly as they grow. This means that much time must be absorbed in making my Wood Folk, for it is only the occasional and exceptional growth that is exceedingly suggestive. It is fascinating work, however, to hunt in the woods for fungi and along untrampled fences for the dried plants."

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The Full-Size Career of a Diminutive Woman

When Mrs. Vera Blaine Edwards stands on her very tiptoes, she measures almost four feet tall. She was born and has lived most of her life near Kendallville, Ind. Her parents are what she calls "small big people"—each a little over five feet tall—and their home was arranged so that it was convenient for their stature and their daughter's. When Mrs. Edwards decided that she wanted to go to business college and learn stenography, she found that her size was a real handicap, something that had never occurred to her before. There was no business college in her home town, so while she went to school, she had to live in Fort Wayne in a house built for "big people," where, because she couldn't reach the hooks, she stowed her small wraps away in drawers and desks.

She finished her studies and occupied for a while a position in Fort Wayne, and then went to Chicago, where she worked several years. Then, one day she decided that city life was too full of inconveniences, so she packed her baggage and went home, thereby (she supposed) renouncing forever the career of which she had dreamed.

Roses Bring Independence
Her home was on a small fruit farm, and immediately upon her arrival, after her several years in Chicago, she went to work with the roses, dreams of which had called her back. Therein she found the beginning of financial independence.

Indiana is dotted with small lakes. On a number of the lakes around Kendallville are summer hotels and many summer cottages. One day, when she was having dinner at one of these resort hotels, she noticed that each table had for a centerpiece some dusty artificial flowers. Being an impulsive person, she slid off her chair to the floor, and hastened out to the manager's office. After a short conversation, she came back to her table and announced that she was going to supply fresh flowers to that hotel, and so many of them that for the rest of the summer each table might have fresh blossoms every day. That was the beginning of this tiny country girl's career.

The next year, her garden was made much larger, and she was able to supply more than one hotel with flowers. Soon she added straw flowers, or everlasting, and took orders among the guests of the various hotels for permanent winter bouquets. Later when the florist shops of the cities began to show these straw flowers painted with

bright metallic paint, she supplied them to her customers.

Meantime, she had begun to write her gardening experiences for a farm journal published in Indiana. Soon another journal asked for similar articles, and then, gathering courage, she offered some articles to the editor of this page, and probably you who are reading this story have read many articles on the Household Page that Mrs. Edwards has written.

Presently Mrs. Edwards began to write of the experiences of her father in the intensive cultivation of his small farm, and then other general farm articles, and recently she has branched out into inspirational articles for farm women.

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Before she had finished her summer in the various offices, she had several offers from local firms of permanent positions—most of them more responsible and more highly paid than is stenographic work alone. Because she has a great deal of ambition she planned carefully the garden work and her writing, and then she accepted one of the situations. For four or five years she has been carrying on three distinct and different lines of work, and she has been happy in each of them.

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Oil and Chemical Issues Are
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Spots Noted

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Chemical and fertilizer shares competed with the oils for leadership of the irregularly higher movement in today's active New York stock market.

Gains of 2 1/2 to 3 points were registered by Virginia Chemical Chemical, preferred, American Agricultural Chemical, preferred, Allied Chemical, preferred, and American Fertilizer, preferred. Operations for the rise also were continued in some of yesterday's strong spots. Corn products having been pushed up 4 more points to 15 1/2, a new 1923 high.

Some heaviness developed in the sugars and public utilities, which yielded on heavy profit-taking. The closing of the day was firm. Sales approximated \$40,000,000.

Approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission of the recently promulgated plan of reorganization caused the bonds of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad to be unusually active in the early trading today.

The 5 percent Farmers' Loan & Trust issue jumped nearly 6 points, and 3 other issues gained from 1 1/2 to 3 1/2.

Otherwise trading was of the usual half-hearted type, few transactions having been reported. The tone, however, throughout the day was firm. Mexican 4s certificates rose a point on publication of reassuring news from Mexico relative to the debt funding plan. United States Government bonds were steady.

LONDON SECURITIES

GENERALLY SHOW

LOSSES FOR WEEK

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The unsettled political situation and the near approach of the year-end holidays have caused an easier tone in the security markets this week. Even gilt-edged issues have been sold rather freely.

Textile issues were weak, but radio issues were in demand. The oils were only moderately affected.

Following are Friday's closing quotations of a selected list, together with net changes from a week ago:

for this week fell behind last year.
 Retailers' "eleventh hour" buying for
 holiday selling keeps mail order and
 house business brisk.

Jewelry, umbrellas, handkerchiefs,
 toys, and other gift lines are very
 active, calling for overtime in filling of
 orders.

Road business is running about the
 same as during the corresponding week
 last year in volume and number of

New York Stock Market Price Range for the Week Ended Saturday, December 15, 1923

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (Special)—Only a glance at a summary of the

transactions in stock from day to day is necessary to show that speculation in industrial shares has been on a much larger scale than in those of the railroads. While, of course, this is not a new development, but a common occurrence in recent weeks and months, it is important and significant in various ways.

Practically all of the news developments have been favorable to the industrial corporations. The same cannot be said with respect to the railroads. The latter are still under the ban of the possibility of radical legislation at Washington during the present session of Congress.

The deadlock that has existed all week in the voting for chairman of the important committee in the Senate, namely that which has to do with industrial corporations, has been sufficient in itself to hold back speculation in railroad stocks.

Railway Legislation

The possibility of the election of Sen-

ator Cousens or Senator La Follette in place of Senator Lodge, who has held that important post for some years, had a distinctly depressing effect upon railway executives and railway bankers. Speculators who otherwise would have been inclined to buy railroad shares refrained from doing so, because they understood sufficiently the probable effect upon railroad legislation and the supervision and regulation of the railroads of the selection of either of those men. Direct legislation in the Senate relative to interstate commerce.

There is distinct and general apprehension still in railway circles over the proposed Transportation bill, which is being changed with reference to vital features at the present session of Congress. It is taken for granted that it would be practically certain, if railroads could not control the income of the interstate commerce committee in both branches of the legislative body. The group to which Senators La Follette and Borah belong, and which has already threatened to change what is known as Section 15a of the act. It has to do with the rate of return upon their investment, which the railroads have submitted to each year before dividing with the Government, or exceeding what may be regarded as a "reasonable" return. While railway executives are not in accord with this particular section, they feel it would be much better for the railroads if it were allowed to remain unchanged, rather than be interfered with in any way whatever.

Other Disturbing Factors

disturbing factor in the market for railroad securities. The failure of the Omaha Railway directors to make any declaration on the common stock of their company has caused the Chicago & North Western board to reduce the dividend on the common stock of that long-established carrier, from 2½ to 1½ per cent for the last half of this year, but retaining the deposit of the dividend only upon the two issues directly involved, but also upon the shares of other railroads in the northwest and upon the railroad group as a whole. The effect of this action has not been a complete reverse, either in sentiment or in market quotations.

On the other hand, the decision of the New York Central directors that the company will not offer the 10 per cent dividend in financing a part of that company's requirements for money through the medium of stock rather than bonds, has they have been compelled to do for the offering of the stock, has caused additional stock at par to the shareholders, and the privilege of subscribing to the 600,000 Reading rights owned by the New York Central at 15 cents each, to be offered to the stockholder to which reference has already been made.

Cheering Developments

Sentiment with respect to New York

Central was cheered also by official estimates that the earnings for this year would be equivalent to 17 per cent on the stock, without the company's share in undivided profits of subsidiary, and with such share, 26 per cent.

The declaration yesterday of the regular semiannual dividend by the Great Northern Railway, and the announcement by the president of the company that the earnings for this year would be equivalent to about 7 per cent, in comparison with the 5 per cent annual dividend that will be paid, stimulated buying of Great Northern for a short time, and caused an advance of about a point.

In spite of these happenings, important and significant as they are, Great Northern has lost the greater part of its recent advance, and so has the New York Central. The Virginian Railway and the Mobile & Ohio, became conspicuous by the declaration of an initial dividend by the former and an increase in that of the latter from a 4 to a 7 per cent annual basis.

Turning to the factors that had a direct influence upon the industrial list as a whole, and upon individual members of the group, reference might be made to the smaller decrease in the unaltered orders of the United States Steel Corporation than had been predicted, more general buying of steel products, greater activity in the copper industry, and a reduction in the output of crude oil coupled with advances in prices and favorable reports relative to the automotive and sugar trades.

Proposed Tax Reduction

Needless to say, Wall Street was well pleased with the proposed reduction of \$90,000,000 in taxes and \$132,438,933 in the expenses of the Government as outlined by President Coolidge in the annual budget.

If the facts could be known, probably would be found that the revolt in Mexico, under the leadership of former Minister of Finance de la Huerta, has not materially affected the market for

It was generally admitted that at times this movement had a noticeable influence upon the speculation in the stocks of oil companies operating in Mexico. If the revolutionary movement becomes more general and embraces the Tampico as well as the Vera Cruz district, the effect upon the actual business of those oil companies is likely to become serious. Naturally this would be duly reflected in the market for the rubles.

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1922	2	Ad Rummy	200	23	33	33	70	70	2
1922	3	Ad Reduction	1700	68	68	68	235	235	3
1922	4	Ad Ruby	3000	15	15	15	35	35	4
1922	5	Alaska Gold	3000	15	15	15	60	60	5
1922	6	Alaska Juneau	3000	15	15	15	40	40	6
1922	7	All Cable	3000	15	15	15	97	97	7
1922	8	Allied Chem	8000	70	94	94	124	124	8
1922	9	Allied Chem pf	9000	110	109	109	143	143	9
1922	10	Am Ag Chem	4900	124	100	100	124	124	10
1922	11	Am Ag Chem pf	3200	39	33	33	39	39	11
1922	12	Am Beet Sugar	12500	43	29	43	89	89	12
1922	13	Am Bosh	9000	25	36	36	144	144	13
1922	14	Am Brice	1000	10	10	10	10	10	14
1922	15	Am Can	143200	104	102	105	110	110	15
1922	16	*Am Can pf	600	110	109	109	103	103	16
1922	17	Am Chain A	2700	185	186	187	153	153	17
1922	18	Am Chain B	2700	185	186	187	153	153	18
1922	19	Am Chico	3000	17	13	15	122	122	19
1922	20	Am Chico pf	100	43	43	43	109	109	20
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1922	22	Am Cotton Oil pf	2200	93	93	93	84	84	22
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1922	24	*Am Express	1100	91	88	90	84	84	24
1922	25	Am Hide & Lea	300	97	97	97	102	102	25
1922	26	Am Ice	3200	91	83	89	124	124	26
1922	27	Am Inter Corp	2800	44	22	24	68	68	27
1922	28	Am Int. France	1800	18	18	18	79	79	28
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1922	31	*Am Local	15500	73	73	73	124	124	31
1922	32	Am Loco	2400	44	43	43	130	130	32
1922	33	Am Metals	100	100	100	100	204	204	33
1922	34	*Am Radia	700	98	97	97	144	144	34
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1922	38	Am Smelt	900	59	57	58	115	115	38
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1922	41	Am Sugar	17100	59	58	58	204	204	41
1922	42	Am Sugar & Cable	200	43	43	43	71	71	42
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1922	45	Am W. W. pf.	200	88	88	88	27	27	45
1922	46	*Am Woolen	24700	75	72	72	13	13	46
1922	47	Am Writ Paper pf	2800	24	14	12	93	93	47
1922	48	Am Zinc	200	25	25	25	13	13	48
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4300	2 1/2	3	3	1 1/2	123	99 1/2	8	Pure Oil	28100	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
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500	108	108	108	1 1/2	64 1/2	40 1/2	4	Republic Steel	21500	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
100	99	99	99	1 1/2	29 1/2	14	4	Reynolds Steel	3600	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
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7800	67	64 1/2	64 1/2	1 1/2	48 1/2	24 1/2	4	Royal Dutch	800	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
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3900	86	86	86	1 1/2	11 1/2	1 1/2	4	Saginaw Steel	200	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
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WEEK'S REVIEW OF CHIEF EVENTS IN BRITISH FINANCE

Despite Labor's Accession to Power Feeling of Confidence Prevails

By Cable from Monitor Bureau
LONDON, Dec. 15.—The British Government defeat at the polls, and the prospects which since have developed of the Labor Party's accession to political power, only moderately affected city business here this week. Securities were sold for a decline when the election result came out, but the bears did not profit, as repurchases to cover and a sharp recovery resulted.

The only real movement has been in the last two days, when a small but definite decline in values took place. The 5 per cent War Loan, for example, fell on Dec. 6 by 1/8 to 99 1/2 upon news of the Government's defeat, but recovered to 100 1/2 last Tuesday, to fall two days later to 99 1/2, and afterward to 99 15-16.

Declines Not Large
Industrial securities, which had been bought for a rise in expectation of a victory for protection, were more affected, but even here, in many cases, variations were small. Rolls Royce Motor shares, for example, were sold at 30 before election and 28 after, transactions at the latter price having been again reported last Thursday.

Sterling exchange on New York also has been surprisingly stable. A two-cent drop occurred on election day to \$4.37, but this rate has since varied little, despite the imminence of Britain's half-yearly payment on the debt account to the United States. The fact is, that a deep-seated feeling of confidence exists here that the revolutionary portion of the Labor program will be unable to materialize in the face of an overwhelming majority, not only in the country but also in Parliament, against dangerous experiments of any kind.

Incheape Not Pessimistic
Lord Incheape, presiding at the annual meeting of the Peninsular Oriental Steamship Company here this week, voiced this, when he dissociated himself from apprehensions in the prevailing thought. He added frankly that if Labor should be, in their proposals for the nationalization of industry, "as successful as all governments hitherto have been in attempting to conduct all commerce" he would be "sorry for the taxpayers." Incheape speaks with authority in view of the success of his own concerns. Witness the declarations that "Vulcan" is a pseudo-planet, "Vulcan" supposed to lie nearer to the sun than Mercury, was again sought for assiduously, but in vain.

The story of "Vulcan" dates back to Leverrier, the great French astronomer, whose mathematical calculations led to the discovery of the outermost planet Neptune. Turning his attention to Mercury, he announced in 1859 that the perihelion of its orbit has a shifting movement more than can be due to the attraction of the known planets. He concluded that some unknown planet or planets, existing between Mercury and the sun, might easily be the cause.

A country physician, an amateur astronomer provided with a 24-inch telescope, reported that he had seen earlier that year the passage of a small dark object across the sun's disk, which might be the new planet. Leverrier hastened to interview the physician, Dr. Le Verrier, and subjected him to a severe grilling as to his supposed discovery. Although he found the method of observation crude, Leverrier was at last satisfied that an intramercut planet had been found, and "Vulcan" was for him a reality, a body revolving around the sun in about 20 days and at a distance of 13,000,000 miles from that luminary.

Vulcan Unverified
There has been no other authentic observation of "Vulcan." Many reports have proved erroneous. Sunspots, or the distant flight of migrating birds seen against the sun, are probable explanations for many observations. A total solar eclipse affords an excellent opportunity for detecting such a dweller in the suburbs of the sun. At the eclipse of 1877 two starlike objects were seen near the sun, but the reports of the two observers who saw them were discordant, and probably the objects were really stars.

Since photography has been used for intramercut planets has been a part of the program. The latest and probably the most complete observations are those made by the Lick Observatory astronomers in Australia. The photographs used for the search had already served to detect the light deflection predicted by Einstein's theory, but were just as available for finding any faint object near the sun. The plates, 17 1/2 inches in size, showed stars as faint as the tenth magnitude. A careful examination by Dr. Robert Trumpler failed to discover any new object. Two eclipse photographs and also one of the comparison plates taken at Tahiti were superposed on one another. As the photographs are on glass, a simple change of focus of the examining microscope sufficed to bring any one of the plates into the plane of vision. An object seen on only one plate would be obviously a defect. On the other hand, any

planet or comet photographed near the sun should appear on all the eclipse plates but not on those obtained at Tahiti. Dr. Trumpler feels that a planet brighter than the ninth magnitude could not have escaped, unless it was lost in the corona or was moving with extreme rapidity.

Following the extensive searches of the past, particularly those of Dr. C. D. Perrine in 1901, 1905, and 1908, the negative result of the eclipse of 1922 seems to rule "Vulcan" out of our consideration. However, the loss of "Vulcan" as the disturber of the course of Mercury in its orbit no longer an embarrassment for now the general theory of relativity propounded by Einstein accounts so fully for the deviations found by Leverrier, that no other explanation is necessary.

Constellations
There is a fine collection of bright stars overhead this month. Canopus, Sirius, and Rigel form a nearly isosceles triangle, while Sirius, Betelgeuse, and Procyon represent an equilateral triangle. Such triangulation in the sky is useful for identifying the first-magnitude stars when seen through rifts on a cloudy night. Lepus, the hare, is in the southwest. Arcturus, the star of the plow, is in the north. The star Fomalhaut is nearly set in the southwest. Arcturus, Taurus, Perseus, and Auriga are hastening to the horizon in the northwest. In the eastern sky Leo and Hydra hold sway, the latter supported by Corvus and Eridanus. The Southern Cross, followed by the Centaur, is coming up in the southeast, mingled in the stream of the Milky Way.

The phases of the moon, in Greenwich time, are as follows: New moon on Jan. 6 at 12:48 p. m., first quarter on Jan. 13 at 10:45 p. m., full moon on Jan. 22 at 12:57 a. m., and last quarter on Jan. 29 at 5:53 a. m. The moon will be farthest from the earth on Jan. 4; nearest to the earth on Jan. 16 and Jan. 31. It will be in conjunction with Mars on Jan. 2, with Jupiter on Jan. 4, with Mercury on Jan. 7, with Venus on Jan. 8, with Uranus on Jan. 10, with Neptune on Jan. 23, with Saturn on Jan. 28, and again with Mars and Jupiter on Jan. 31.

The Planets
Venus is the bright evening star, and sets about two hours after the sun. It is in conjunction with Uranus on the night of Jan. 31. Uranus will be north of Venus about the apparent diameter of the moon and from this fact may be more easily identified with a field glass. Mercury passes inferior conjunction with the sun on Jan. 13, and then becomes technically a morning star. Early in February will be the best time to look for Mercury rising before the sun. All the other planets except Neptune are in the morning sky, rising after midnight. Neptune, as shown on the map, is about to enter Leo.

The comet, found at the Cape of Good Hope by Reid, who holds several medals for discovering unexpected comets, proves to be d'Arrest's comet. It was discovered originally in 1851 and has a period of about 6 1/2 years. This comet was expected somewhat earlier, but perturbations caused by its near approach to Jupiter in 1920 may have overthrown the delay in its schedule. It is unlikely that the comet will be visible without a telescope.

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CORN AND WHEAT UNDER PRESSURE IN GRAIN MARKET

Prices This Week Fall Off on Lack of Bullish Factors— Russia Ships Freely

CHICAGO, Dec. 15 (Special).—Wheat prices developed a weak tone the last few days, and there were moderate declines for the week, with the May leading. Comparatively small deliveries on December contracts gave the current month a relatively steady tone, and the difference between it and the May was narrowed perceptibly.

Lack of export business of consequence, indifference of outside buyers, and the lack of assurance that the Washington authorities would do anything to help the position of wheat owners all combined to discourage the bulls. However, there was no indication that eastern lines were being liquidated.

World's Stocks Higher
Elevator interests were the principal sellers of the May wheat delivery at Chicago, but they were credited with buying at Winnipeg. Export business in wheat is confined almost entirely to Manitoba, aside from some trade on the Pacific coast. The Government's final report for the year will be given out the coming week, and also the estimate of the acreage of winter wheat and for the 1928 harvest.

World's stocks of wheat are estimated as of Dec. 1 at 315,000,000 bushels, which is 25,000,000 bushels more than a year ago. The increase during November was smaller than during the corresponding month last year, in spite of the tremendous Canadian marketings and the supposed big harvests in Europe. The fact that world's shipments of such large size have been so easily absorbed on the other side rather confirms the view that the estimates of European crops were designedly exaggerated.

Corn Liquidated Freely
Domestic cash trade is of fair proportions. Spot prices hold comparatively well. At Minneapolis, receipts have been quite liberal but included a lot of Canadian wheat. Much Canadian wheat is being held in winter storage in boats at various lake ports.

Corn longs have liquidated freely and receipts have indicated quite a country movement. Prices for futures declined sharply. Liquidation of hogs has been heavy and a break in the lat-

ter to new low prices for the season depressed corn, as it means less feeding of swine the next few months.

Cattle on feed are said to have increased in number over a year ago. Argentine reports indicate an exportation of old crop corn, which may mean a bigger export outlet for American corn. Leading bear houses were conspicuous sellers of corn.

Old crop corn has been steady but was affected by late declines in wheat and corn. Cash conditions in oats are not much changed. Rye showed a relatively firm tone at times, due to a little more speculative interest, which was based on the better cash demand for domestic account. Rumanian rye is proving a big competitor abroad.

HIGHER PRICES AT FALL RIVER REDUCE PRINT CLOTH SALES

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 15 (Special).—The advanced prices of raw cotton had a telling effect on the local print cloth market this week. The total sales will not exceed 45,000 pieces. A number of plain goods mills have curtailed to 50 per cent of normal production, and even heavier curtailment is contemplated for the remainder of December.

Manufacturers whose supplies of cotton are being exhausted cannot be induced to buy more raw material at present costs in the face of such light demand as they have met in the last month, and even heavier curtailment is contemplated for the remainder of December.

Trading this week has been confined largely to 30-inch low counts for immediate or nearby delivery in small lots. Little interest was manifested in either 30 or 32-inch prints, and interest has also been lacking in steams, for which 17 cents is being asked for the 4 1/2's. Prices have been generally unchanged since last week.

Quotations are: 34 1/2-inch, 64 x 80, 12c; 30-inch, 64 x 84, 9 1/2c; 27-inch, 64 x 80, 8 1/2c; 27-inch, 54 x 82, 7 1/2c; 30-inch, 54 x 84, 5 1/2c.

GREAT LAKES POWER BOAT CONCERN TO MOVE TO CHICAGO

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 12 (Special Correspondence).—The Great Lakes Boatbuilding Corporation, which has built many of the finest pleasure power boats running on Lake Michigan and other of the Great Lakes, will remove from Milwaukee to Chicago next summer. It will occupy a plant covering 15 acres or four times as large as at present, and will have an additional \$1,000,000 new capital added to the enterprise.

W. C. Morehead, one of the founders of the company, will remain as president, and J. W. C. Morehead, vice-president, member of the Sinclair Refining Company; Herman Hettler, president of the Hettler Lumber Company; James O. Heyworth, president of the Waukegan Shipbuilding Company; and J. C. McClurg, president of A. C. McClurg Company; Clark Wright of George C. Nimmons & Co., and Phillip K. Wrigley, vice-president of William Wrigley Jr. Company.

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NEW YORK HOTEL MEN
PLEDGE JUST RATES
Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—A resolution never to raise the hotel rates in anticipation of the coming to New York of any convention, or to take advantage of any event attracting a large gathering of visitors to the metropolis, was adopted by the Hotel Association of New York City at its annual meeting just held here. This association includes in its membership 134 of the important hostilities of the city.

F. A. Muschenheim, president of the Hotel Association, read a resolution framed by the executive committee referring to the possible coming to New York of the National Democratic Convention next June. When Mr. Muschenheim had finished, he proposed a general resolution pledging the hotel men not to increase rates for any convention or large gathering. The proposal made an immediate appeal and was adopted unanimously.

The Mellon tax-revision plan was approved by the meeting. The following officers were re-elected: F. A. Muschenheim, president; Burton H. White, vice-president; C. R. Knott, treasurer, and I. Fluegelman, secretary.

CANADA APPROACHED ON WATERWAYS PLAN
Special from Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15—The United States Government has requested the Canadian Government to take up again at the earliest convenience, the question of the St. Lawrence deep waterway project, it was announced at the State Department. The question was taken up more than a year ago but the Canadian Government stated that the project was so extensive that it was not prepared to proceed with the matter.

Since then, pressure has been brought to bear upon the Canadian Parliament to revive the subject, there having been one or more delegations from western Canada in Ottawa to advocate the project. For this reason, officials here are hopeful that the Canadian Government will find it feasible to do something at this time.

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MUSIC OF THE WORLD

The Fundamentals of Musical Criticism Examined Once More

By W. H. HADDON SQUIRE

London, Nov. 27.—ALTHOUGH their readers do not always suspect it, musical critics are, as a rule, really interested in criticism. It never, perhaps, to quite the extent of those who are criticized. Musical criticism has of late been so much in the air—a metaphor, by the way, that its victims will appreciate—and discussed so frequently, that only the appearance, said to be the first, of an English book on this subject makes an apology unnecessary in referring to it again. "The Principles and Methods of Musical Criticism" (Oxford University Press, 6s. net), however, is not written by an Englishman, for Mr. M. D. Calvo-Cressi is a well known French writer of Greek parentage. Primarily, the preface tells us, the book is intended for the student, but does not aim at solving his problems for him. "Indeed, the ideal course would have been, to determine these, the choice of available solutions, the methods through which the choice may be effected, and to leave the rest to him." The author explains that he has not followed this ideal method rigorously, as unless a solution could be proved valid nothing would remain but to ask the reader to take one for granted. Both those who write and those who read musical criticism have to take a good deal for granted.

Even Definition Dubious

To begin with, one may ask—what is music? As Mr. Calvo-Cressi says, "if we remember that to many of us music is an art which means more than anything else within the province of imagination; if it be true that music is the most wonderful of arts as well as the most mysterious—an art to whose condition, Walter Pater has said, all other arts are constantly aspiring—and an art informed with the deepest significance for all to realize even if none can explain it; shall we, then, wonder that in order to deal with its problems, as much general and special information and labor should be required as is expected, as a matter of course, from anybody dealing with the other great provinces of imagination, thought, or experience?"

The critic, then, has to form and deliver judgments on something of which, fundamentally, even definition is dubious. And the simplest judgment involves more than the person who delivers it is usually aware of. Professor Bradley claims that every judgment in the end is no more than conditional. "The judgment that seeks to be at once true and at the same time a mere simple and unconditioned assertion of fact, implies the worship and the pursuit of an illusory abstraction. It involves the assumption of a false and perverted ideal of knowledge. Such a judgment, the more it attempts to assert itself as absolute, succeeds only the more in emphasizing itself as dependent on and subject to the unknown." A lion among ladies, said Bottom, is a dreadful thing; a philosopher let loose among critics seems even a more dreadful thing. There are, of course, philosophers who cannot rest content until "every song has been translated into a theorem or a mare's nest," but these may be left to enjoy music in their own fashion.

Theory and Practice

Mr. Calvo-Cressi divides his book into two parts: Theory and Practice. He confronts what he describes truly as a bewildering diversity of problems with admirable courage, "even at the cost of finding it unavoidable to lay more than one rod in pickle for myself." The book, inevitably, simply bristles with controversial points and the space of a single article is quite inadequate for the proper application of one of the author's home-picked rods. His writing is not always free from ambiguity. One passage runs: "The materials used by music are sounds and rhythms, to which the intellect can ascribe no definite meaning except by a very questionable process of abstract association, as distinct from the concrete type of association which refers a contour or a color to a natural object. The student will have to decide for himself what to think of the value of this process; he will probably find the evidence against it overwhelmingly strong, both on general grounds and from the particular point of view of music. But anyhow, it is safe to admit that sounds and rhythms, taken singly or in combination, cannot directly convey to the intellect a meaning such as may be conveyed by words, colors, shapes, and lines." He then quotes from Parry: "In music, form and design are most obviously necessary, because the very source and reason of the art is so obscure," and goes on to say: "Of form and design—and of sounds and rhythms themselves—the intellect is able to form as clear a conception as of any concrete object or abstract idea." Obviously, the words "intellect" and "meaning" would here require strict definition before one could agree with a statement which, on the face of it, seems somewhat confused, if not self-contradictory. For the most part, however, Mr. Calvo-Cressi's English is, for a foreigner, extraordinarily good.

Fallibility of Criticism

There is no need to stress the fallibility of criticism, but those who feel tempted to say of modern music things as harsh as its occasional cacophony ought to read the chapter "Within 25 Mile Radius."

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on "What History Teaches the Critic." Three of the movements of Beethoven's symphony in A are without any settled design, confused, full of harsh combinations." (Criticism dated 1823) "Mozart actually wrote this irregular chord. Let us not say, with Haydn, that he had his reasons for doing so: errors of this kind offend our reason, our senses, and our taste." (Fétis on Mozart, 1839). The critic who wrote of Schönberg's music, "Unmeaning bunches of notes," "clotted nonsense" (Musical Quarterly, 1916), certainly had, one might say, forerunners behind him.

Dark Corners Illuminated

Mr. Calvo-Cressi has been writing musical criticism of distinction in the French and English press for many years, and for once a book really lives up to the publisher's note on its wrapper. It does illuminate many dark corners and is a work for the musician and general student of the arts, not only for the critic himself. One regrets, by the way, the omission of an index.

Perhaps many will agree with the dictum of Wordsworth, quoted by the author, that "every great and original artist, in proportion as he is great and original, must himself create the taste by which he is to be relished; he must teach the art by which he is to be seen." In one sense Mr. Calvo-Cressi's book proves that the difficulty of explaining the fundamentals of criticism is largely the difficulty of not explaining them away.



Claudio Arrau

A Pianistic Ambassador From Chile

By WINTHROP P. TRYON

New York, Dec. 13.—CLAUDIO ARRAU, the pianist, about whom I am writing today, and Mme. Marguerite d'Alvarez, the contralto, whom I lately discussed, belong in the class of musicians whose careers have a certain political bearing. They are both South Americans. More than that I need not say, to explain my meaning; since to be a South American with an international reputation as an artist, is to be a sort of permanent ambassador of your country wherever you go, and to have, moreover, official credentials as such.

Now while the two names may for the moment stand together as those of musical representatives of the same continent, they belong, really, a long way apart. Not, however, because one name is that of an instrumentalist and the other that of a vocalist; but because one is that of a Chilean and the other that of a Peruvian.

A Temperamental Difference

Nobody, I take it, need to travel to Santiago and Lima to become aware of the temperamental difference between the two cities. Two contrary types of thought and feeling are obviously expressed in them, which find their origin in Colonial history, and which have taken on wider divergence from time to time with the growth of world policy. Travel, indeed! It does not always require a \$1000 steamship ticket, I believe, for a person of curious turn of mind to get these things. Fifty cents, plus the war tax, for a seat in the balcony of the concert hall will often do the business quite satisfactorily.

Mr. Arrau I had the pleasure of meeting the other day, and an uncommon theme of study I saw him to be. In saying which I am only reporting what I told him at the time, without being disputed. And yet, I ought to note that it was more the Chilean than the artist that impressed me. Fog, to be forthright, I am never astonished in the presence of highly talented persons. It always seems to me for the moment that everybody on earth is a genius, or something like it.

Training German

An unusual subject of contemplation I found him, truly. For here was somebody whom the Chilean people, discovering in their midst as a childhood prodigy of the piano more than 10 years ago, put to school with the best masters of Germany; whom the authorities of Santiago provided with private instruction under a famous Berlin professor, throughout the period of the war and after, without obligation on his part to make any return.

What continually came into my

fancy as I talked with him was, how events would shape themselves, if any one proposed an educational enterprise of this kind in the United States. Imagine a boy from anywhere you choose; from Rhode Island, for instance, displaying remarkable ability as a pianist. Inevitably, I presume, were he made a national beneficiary, a boy would be nominated from every other state in the Union to the favor—a lad for every star on the flag.

But the Chilean has a single star, and the Chilean public, I infer, has a single mind about some things. At any rate, I was talking with a young man of fine gifts, and with a pianist of special traits that I could refer to nothing except his nationality. For while Mr. Arrau's schooling is German, as far as technical considerations figure, his playing is altogether non-German, taken from the standpoint of expression.

He pointed out to me that his teacher, Krause, studied with Liszt and Reinecke, and he assured me that he himself endeavored to follow in the Liszt tradition. On this point I ventured to doubt him, remarking that he was too quiet a player to be of the Liszt tradition, and maintaining that if he were of it he would pound.

Grades of Sound

His rebuttal was: "The only excuse a pianist can have for pounding is to make a crescendo; and he can gain all the fullness of tone he wants without striking heavily on the keys, if he will but play with relaxed arms."

"Speaking of grades of sound, Bach's harpsichord pieces do not seem to me to go right on the modern piano, while his clavier works do. I am convinced that Bach thought ahead to an improved instrument in much of his writing. Ever since his time, a larger power has been a primary aim with composers. Those who best represent the progress of the piano in sonority, in my view, are Chopin, Liszt and Scriabin."

Mr. Arrau had a downright answer for me when I asked him if he expected to study any more with a master. "No," said he. "The time comes when a pianist must stop building on other people's ideas, and must go on

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Gabrilowitsch Finds His Place in the Sun

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FEW artists have the gift of expression through more than one medium, although it is well known that unusually talented people are forever longing to work in other fields than the one in which they have become acknowledged.

One Gabrielowitsch came into his own as a pianist at an early age, and has for many years been a renowned virtuoso; also, although he is now but 46, he has realized a lifelong ambition and found a place in the sun as an orchestral conductor.

As a master of the keyboard he is a romanticist, a poet—sensitive and of vibrant emotions. Naturally then, he exhibits the same characteristics in his directing. As a leader, his career may be said to have not more than well begun, for aside from a few essays with the baton in European cities and New York, his earnest effort and growth have been coincident with the life and development of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

When it became apparent a few years ago that this organization, which had been leading a precarious existence for several seasons, threatened to become extinct, the group of zealous music lovers who had fought to maintain it saw that drastic measures must be taken, so it was determined to have a short season of guest conductors for the purpose of selecting one who should preside over the destinies of the orchestra and be able to bring it to life and set it on its feet. Here was Gabrielowitsch's chance. He came, among others, officiated in the dual role of conductor and soloist and, to make a long story short, was offered the engagement.

Insisted on New Hall.

An incident occurred at that time which was significant evidence of his character. As matters stood, the orchestra was endeavoring to produce beautiful music in ugly, uncongenial surroundings and the society was struggling to eke out a financial guarantee, but this did not appall Mr. Gabrielowitsch. With far-sighted firm-

ness, he risked his loss of the position and definitely refused to consider the offer unless a suitable building was provided. So Orchestra Hall was planned and completed (thanks to William Murphy, to whom Detroit music lovers owe much) in a remarkably short time. Since then the orchestra's development and his own have been simultaneous, so much so that the Detroit Symphony Orchestra may be said to be a reflection of its creator—for the band was practically reorganized on his taking it over. It plays with a vigor of youth, with a dash and abandon, a romantic sentiment and sensitive responsiveness to tone color that are purely of Gabrielowitsch.

That he has thus impressed himself in so short a time, on an organization of men, the personnel of which has been constantly shifting from year to year, is indicative of his definite purpose and forceful personality. As was the case when he demanded and got Orchestra Hall, he is unyielding in his demands on himself and the men; a strict disciplinarian, a tireless worker and an indefatigable student. He has been known to rehearse the orchestra until the violinists could no longer hold a steady bow to the strings. He believes in system and routine. A persistent asker of questions, he does not hesitate to gather information from whatever source he finds at hand.

An Exceptional Linguist

He is an exceptional linguist and addresses the cosmopolitan ensemble comprising his band in whatever tongue he finds advisable to make a point clearer. Generally speaking, the musicians hold him in high esteem, and it is said that one in trouble never turns to him in vain. Naturally there are bound to be faultfinders, but it has been observed that the hard-working, businesslike members offer few complaints.

As an interpreter he has so far made the greatest impression with Russian works, with which he finds himself naturally in rapport. The Tschalkowsky symphonies and the "Divine Poem" by

Scriabin are veritable tours de force of the orchestra. Brahms seems to bring out his finest thought and endeavor. In Beethoven he is variable—one feels the sense of a desire to break away from convention and tradition that is not definitely settled into a conviction, but which blossoms at times into significant beauty of interpretation. In Strauss' "Heldenleben" and "Don Juan" he exhibits rare virtuosity. His recent rendition of the Schubert "Unfinished" symphony was without a doubt the finest in the memory of the writer.

Marks of Growth

Of his interpretations of most contemporary composers we cannot say much, as the comparatively few such works performed have been, for the most part, conducted by the composers in person. The French field has not been abundantly covered, but Mr. Gabrielowitsch discloses insight and discretion in his treatment of that branch of musical literature.

As the seasons come and go, it is interesting to note his growth and grasp of orchestral possibilities, and it is difficult to predict to just what heights he will attain, but certainly he has brought himself and the orchestra into the front rank of American organizations of its kind, and his guest appearances outside have been most encouraging. Especially was this true in Chicago, where he made an undoubtedly favorable impression.

His manner with the baton is well poised and without affectation. He does not use highly temperamental tactics and he never fidgets. Of the Niklash school, he gets his effects with a minimum of physical effort. As a rule he is gracious and appreciative of the approval of his audience and extremely generous to the soloists, placing them where they may be most advantageously heard.

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EDITORIALS

UPON his return to the United States after a summer in Europe, Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the Nation, stated in a public address at Ford Hall, Boston, that there will be no peace in Europe until the Versailles Treaty is revised. Poor Treaty of Versailles! After less than five years no one wants to take responsibility for it.

While in London to attend the Imperial Conference, General Smuts of South Africa said that in its application it had been twisted to mean something never intended by the framers. In his armistice radio address, ex-President Wilson asserted that France and Italy had made scrap paper of it. The recantations of Mr. Lloyd George have been too numerous to enumerate. M. Georges Clemenceau himself wrote some time ago that "the Great War had deserved a great peace," implying that it did not receive such an ending. When the peacemakers themselves admit their failure to undo the work of the warmakers, what of the future?

It is the general impression that Premier Poincaré is the last mainstay of the Versailles Treaty, but in a public debate in the Chamber of Deputies on Nov. 23 he called it "an incomplete instrument," out of which he had tried to get the best results possible. He even went so far as to declare for the first time in public that he had disapproved of its principal provision—that for the future security of France through allied guarantees—and had seriously considered resigning rather than sign it. Only on the advice of the presidents of the Chamber and the Senate and on that of Marshal Foch had he refrained. He also stated that he had shared the marshal's opinion about the Rhine as the permanent frontier between France and Germany, and that he had distrusted the promise of a guarantee by the Allies and the United States, which has shown itself illusory. Furthermore, he made the remarkable statement that he has not yet despaired of securing an adequate guarantee treaty from Great Britain, backed by a proper military convention, but that in the meanwhile France will consolidate the positions already occupied, a policy for which M. Poincaré quoted the approval of Marshals Foch and Pétain and that of General Degoutte. This citation by a French Premier of the opinions of military men as authoritative is in itself indicative of the French attitude. If the Treaty is to be revised, it is clear that M. Poincaré would do it in the opposite direction from that intended by Mr. Villard.

Is an allied guarantee still possible? At the same debate former Premier Briand also disclosed the exact terms offered by Mr. Lloyd George just prior to the Genoa Conference in 1922. It was a general treaty by which France, Great Britain, and Belgium would consider the Rhine as their future common frontier against Germany. But when it came to a specific military convention, as a corollary, specifying how many divisions Great Britain would promise to furnish within a certain time, which the French considered indispensable, the British statesman refused, saying his country would never consent to any such thing. In fact, such a convention would have obliged Great Britain to maintain a large standing army, and if the American Senate had ratified the tripartite pact, it is also probable that France would have demanded the same thing of the United States.

At the same session, former War Minister André Lefebvre made the specific point that a treaty to guarantee France against an unprovoked attack on the Rhine is no longer adequate, anyway, because being allied with Poland, France would have to attack on the Rhine, should Germany move against Poland, and under such circumstances the proposed allied pact would have no force. In other words, the situation in Europe today is disturbingly similar to that of 1914, when France was bound to Russia, just as it now is to Poland—an enchainment of treaties that merits the most serious consideration.

TO THOSE whose boyhood days were contemporaneous with the publication of those interesting and engrossing stories of the experiences of Allan Pinkerton, there must remain something of romance in the very name which he bore. Now another, following in the footsteps of the elder Pinkerton, has moved along, leaving the stage to a still later generation. His experiences, if as entertainingly and faithfully related, probably would fill as many pages as those devoted to the adventures of his illustrious predecessor. But it may be that this record will never be compiled for the edification and entertainment of the youth of today. A change has come about in the manner of writing so-called detective stories. The plain tale of the pursuit, capture, and ultimate punishment of an inconspicuous offender probably would not prove to be a best seller. Fact has yielded its place in popular interest to colorful romance.

Possibly, also, it has come to be recognized that there is nothing new under the sun in the study and detection of mere crime. It may be that the system by which offenders are brought to justice has been so thoroughly worked out that the expert detective is not obliged to depend upon his own initiative, as we were told he was in earlier times. The wrongdoer has always been at a disadvantage. Handicapped by the fear of detection, he almost unfailingly leaves behind him some incriminating evidence of his perfidy. He has proved, even without the interference of his enemy, the detective, that the way of the transgressor is hard.

As a result there has been compiled by those whose profession it is to ferret out confusing tangles a system which to them is simple and easily followed. With this

accomplished, the process has been divested of much of its one-time glamour. The Pinkertons and others of the future will probably not write romances. They have but to follow the methods which have been proved sufficient. To the novelist and playwright alone, who insist that it is their privilege to confound their readers or their audiences as they choose, in the hope of holding interest to the end, must be left, therefore, the privilege of writing the detective stories of the future. For a little while longer the grown-ups perhaps will consent to be entertained by a fiction the boys and girls have outgrown.

COLLEGE students have long discussed with interest the question as to whether the industrious literary person, known on the campus as a "grind," or a "dig," or a "boner," according to the slang of his particular college, was likely to achieve more of material success in the outer world than the "regular fellow" or good mixer. With youth, usually being light-hearted and pleasure-seeking, the theory that not much good comes from too much scholarship has been apt to be highly popular, especially in the sophomore year. Comes now a professor of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, who has made a statistical study of the record of the class of 1912, which, if dollars and cents are all to be sought in life, would seem to encourage the youth who puts football ahead of physics, and the joys of mixing on the campus above the humanities which his parents sent him to college to conquer.

Many of the unlettered, or the little schooled, as they pass through life, have looked with awe upon the Phi Beta Kappa key dangling from a watch chain, as indicative of the possession of superior intellectual qualities by him who proudly displays it. Perhaps the newspaper cartoonist's idea that prosperity in the things of this world is best indicated by a large and globular abdomen, gets a certain corroboration from the fact that these keys to intellectual development usually repose on a somewhat concave waistcoat. Professor Ford, of Ann Arbor, tells us that, whereas the average man who has gained enough prominence by his social and athletic activity to become a member of "Michigan" is drawing, at the expiration of ten years after his graduation, a salary of more than \$10,000, those who burned the midnight oil over their books, rather than permitted the electric light to guide them through the jazy mazes of the dance, are averaging but \$3,000 a year. Michigan athletes, who were able to wear the coveted M on their sweaters, averaged \$6,400 a year, while the honored members of "Sphinx," likewise a purely social organization to which Phi Beta Kappa offers no key whatsoever, report that \$8,000 a year on the average reimburses their work in the world of business.

Such in brief are the figures. They are collated by a professor of psychology, a pseudo-science which, professing to explain everything about the human mind, usually requires much more explanation of its own methods. The professor, however, meets this particular problem with the obvious explanation that "the Phi Beta Kappa key marks its wearer for the scientific or teaching profession." That profession, by the curious inversion of the mental eye of mankind, instead of being one of the most highly paid forms of human activity, is in fact rewarded with an income usually falling below that of a carpenter. And yet neither psychology nor any other form of merely intellectual study of mankind can explain why it is that those who follow these ill-rewarded callings find in them even a greater measure of acceptable reward than would come to them from other pursuits which might bring in more dollars annually. We do not think that the estimate in which those who have won high honor in their college classes are held among men whose opinion is well worth having is going to be lessened in the present seeming concentration of mankind upon the search for purely material rewards. The well-disciplined mind, the mind fully stored with information, the mind able to find within itself resources denied to the untrained intellect, brings to its possessor a greater reward than stocks and bonds or great possessions.

But, curiously enough, the statistical professor reports that one individual admitted that, with all of his college training, he was able to earn only \$1200 a year as an ironmolder. He was seemingly the only graduate who had turned to manual labor for a vocation. So far as the class of 1912 from Michigan is concerned, the theory that the "white collar" jobs bring penury, while he who pursues a trade opens the gate to prosperity, seems to have been rudely controverted.

A NOTEWORTHY stand was taken by the London County Council recently in refusing to grant a modification of conditions, in respect to theaters and music halls, which would permit the sale of liquor on the premises. Since 1899 the policy of the council has been not to grant new licenses, except on the conditions that intoxicants were not to be put on sale, and this year the theaters and music halls committee of the council reported that it had granted new conditions which would reverse this policy of nearly a quarter of a century. During the discussion on the question, however, much opposition was expressed, and the final vote stood at 44 to 32 against the change of policy.

This vote, as well as the discussion, furnishes an interesting commentary on the growing temperance sentiment in England, though, it is true, some of the expressions, opposing the committee's action, were couched in rather humorous language. One of the speakers, for instance, asserted that the great bulk of the people wanted "to see and not to drink," while another declared that he was "no advocate of a brighter London if the illuminant was alcohol." There was no mistaking the fact, however, that underlying the entire discussion was a current of the deepest and most earnest seriousness. As a third speaker

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urged, if the requests were granted it would mean that the thin end of the wedge had been inserted, something which was by no means desirable.

It is in such situations that the true temperance sentiment in Great Britain is to be seen. General conditions are different in many respects in that country from what they are in the United States, but just the same the majority of the people are coming to recognize that alcohol is something, the drinking of which must finally be abolished. It is true that, in reality, the council has simply voted to continue a policy which it has followed for a number of years, but the fact that it has done this, at a time when there is more anti-prohibition propaganda being broadcast than ever before, and has not allowed itself to be deceived thereby, is decidedly significant. While no definite prohibitory action has yet been taken by the Nation as a whole, there is little doubt that the number of those who look with disfavor on the drink question is growing steadily.

HARPSICORD playing, with which Mme. Wanda Landowska has delighted European audiences for a number of seasons, and with which she is entertaining the American public this winter, may no doubt be considered as permanently revived. It has probably been raised to such a position of dignity, as a result of the efforts of herself and a few artistic colleagues, that it cannot again fall into neglect. It must have won such regard with serious listeners, thanks largely to her technical ability and interpretative insight, that it can never again become, what it practically did become in the nineteenth century, a lost art.

Just as the works of Bach were forgotten for one hundred years or more, and were then brought back to the concert hall and the parlor, so the instrument for which Bach designed some of his smaller things seems in a fair way of being restored to something of its pristine honor. Why the harpsichord was discarded after having been long held in esteem is a question that should not, perhaps, be asked in reproachful voice of the generations responsible—from Mozart to Debussy. The men and women of the romantic era needed, without dispute, a fuller sonority and a broader scheme of tonal lights and shadows than those of the eighteenth century required for the expression of their emotions. Above all, they wanted richer, warmer, livelier harmonic color. They found the effects they desired in the instrument of hammer and damper mechanism, constructed on a theory of weight and strength, which today goes by the name of piano. Accordingly, they relegated the harpsichord to the garret, where children might occasionally lift the cover and stir the strings into tinkling vibration; and in time they threw it on the lumber pile—whittled levers, double-ranked keyboard, pictured case, and all.

People of today, awakened by Mme. Landowska and certain other persons of historic imagination, are realizing the existence of value in old-school compositions like Handel's "Harmonious Blacksmith," Bach's "Farewell to a Brother," Pasquini's "Cuckoo," and Rameau's "Hen," which they never got at before. Granted that these pieces are among the trifles of music invention, they furnish, nevertheless, a definite glimpse into the past that no other record does. And, supposing this glimpse to be worth something to the modern age, harpsichord playing, so successfully reinstated, must, indeed, be kept among the community's current interests and accomplishments.

Editorial Notes

AN ANNOUNCEMENT in a recent number of "Science" by Mr. C. E. St. John of Mt. Wilson Observatory, in Pasadena, Cal., that he has been converted to the Einstein theory, means that another famous mathematician and astronomer has been added to the number of those who now uphold the German professor's views. It may be remembered that Einstein himself suggested three crucial tests of his theory. The first was regarding the movement of the planet Mercury, the second could only be carried out during a total eclipse of the sun, and the third concerned the apparent length of the waves of light as affected by gravitation. It was in connection with the third that the greatest uncertainty was felt by many authorities, and it is understood that it is only quite lately that the results obtained in this direction have removed the doubts which theretofore had appeared insuperable.

JUDGE D. A. R. CRUM, in his charge to a grand jury at Cordele, Ga., employed such a unique procedure that it must have made a most unusual impression on his auditors. He called upon the jury to recognize that the only way to business and national safety is through following the laws based upon the teachings of the Bible. These he considered under five heads; as contributing to the working out of God's plan: work, honesty, economy, observance of law, and service and obedience to God. Then he read, without comment, a number of verses from the Bible on each of these topics, and concluded by urging the authority of Him concerning whom he spoke. One can hardly imagine anything but an impartial and just verdict after such an inspiration.

It is difficult fully to credit the statement of a writer in the New Statesman that 99 per cent of the British people are taking medicines. This gentleman declares, however, that at least twice as much medicine is being consumed today as was the case in 1913, and adds, concerning the habit, "It is common alike to rich and poor, to political editors and charwomen, to dons and dockers." Maybe this is the case, but all the same there is observable, by those who have eyes to see, a world-wide waning of the people's faith in drugs. There is an old, but reassuring, adage about the darkest hour being just before the dawn.

The Rivalry of the Clipper Ships

By MARC T. GREENE

THERE is a fine spirit of loyalty in the affection with which the Englishman clings to that which has once served him, whatever form that service may have taken. Nor does that spirit manifest itself only in respect of the men and women who have held his favor; it is equally apparent in the case of inanimate things, such as, for example, the ships that have been the pride of his forebears. Thus British sentiment forbade the abandonment of the Victory to the mudflats and disintegration, just as today it demands of the Board of Trade that the famous China clipper, Cutty Sark, glorious in the annals of peace as Nelson's flagship in those of the navy, be preserved, that future generations of British seamen may be inspired by the living memory of a queen of the seas.

But America, too, has glorious memories of a merchant marine which produced queens of the seas no less proud than the Cutty Sark, though, strangely enough, Americans seem never to have entertained a thought of preserving one of them. For the Flying Cloud, the Andrew Jackson, the Sovereign of the Seas, and half a hundred more, all couriers of the far-flung ports, swift messengers of the wide-stretching seas, brought to America's maritime prestige of seventy-five years ago all that the Cutty Sark and the Thermopylae gained for Britain's. And the mere mention of these famous names is sufficient to revive again the controversy, keen and far-reaching in the '60's and the '70's, and never settled then nor since, as to the relative merits in seaworthiness and speed of the English China clippers and the equally famous American California square-rigged fliers.

The "clipper," as most men know, was a vessel of three masts, constructed on yacht-like lines, and long and narrow of beam, carrying tall masts and far-reaching yards. The development of the California trade brought about the building of the American clippers, while the keen competition of the China tea traffic, in which American ships were also engaged, stimulated the builders of the Clyde and the Tyne to produce vessels of the highest possible speed. So that the question of supremacy became one of the most discussed of that generation; but, although the American owners offered to wager large sums on an ocean race between a chosen Yankee clipper and the Cutty Sark or the Thermopylae, nothing of the sort ever came about.

However, in the performances of the ships under all conditions, their records and their "star" achievements, much evidence exists pro and con, evidence to be weighed by the seaman on the basis of his own experiences and observations, and forthcoming convictions. The British ships mentioned were the finest of their type, while the Flying Cloud was the fastest wooden vessel ever launched from an American yard. The record of her inspiring deeds has been preserved by a score of writers, and the tale of her climactic voyage from New York to San Francisco in eighty-nine days has been related numberless times.

On this passage, in an easterly gale off Cape Horn, she made a run of 374 miles in twenty-four hours, carrying practically all sail, under conditions which would have forced a skipper of a later generation to lay his ship to. This run has never been equaled by a sailing ship under any flag, as is attested by Basil Lubbock's declaration, in his book, "The China Clippers," that the Cutty Sark's best day's run, of 363 miles, is the fastest ever made by a British clipper. On this voyage the Sark logged at one time seventeen and one-half knots. But, again, Captain Creesey's log of the Cloud showed that she reached such a speed that the log-line, equipped to indicate a maximum of eighteen knots, "was not sufficient to record the speed of the ship." And these comparisons, taken from the master's log of each vessel, are, of course, irrefutable evidence, being equivalent to an oath, and so accepted in the courts.

The Thermopylae's greatest run was from the English Channel to Melbourne in ninety days, a run between those points never equaled by a sailing ship. But in 1872, in a famous race from Hong Kong, around the Cape of Good Hope, home, the Cutty Sark showed her mastery of the Thermopylae, though she carried away her rudder in a typhoon in the Indian Ocean, when the wind blew so hard as to tear the furling sails out of double gaskets, and to rip men's clothes from their backs. Incidentally, the work of placing a jury-rudder on the Sark, as succinctly related in the captain's log, was an achievement to astonish the sailorman of today.

On the other hand, when the Flying Cloud swung through the Golden Gate, eighty-nine days from New York, with a cargo which included, among other necessary things for the Argonauts, shoes from Boston, each of her masts was in "fishings" and stays, every fathom of spare line had been used for double and triple gaskets, replaced clewlines and upper sheets, and her topmast fids were broken and crushed, such an unheard-of thing that they were taken out and carried up to the town, to be exhibited at one of the hotels, astonishing sailors and landmen alike.

The "tea clippers," being smaller, were less seaworthy, and it was a Board of Trade rule that the helm should never be put down in a squall. The reason for this was that the 70 or 80 miles of wind coming at such a time, and catching the narrow ships well abeam, would throw them down so far that an attempt to drop the yards would be unsuccessful, because the angle of the masts would prevent the yards sliding. And if relief did not come through the blowing of the sails from the bolt-ropes, the masts would have to be cut away to save the ship. On the other hand, the "tea clippers," buoyant as a duck, could scud under bare poles before a hurricane, where the American would have been forced to heave to, under peril of being "pooped" by a following sea. Thus, in a long race, the outcome would have depended very largely upon weather conditions. The ships of both nations were, in point of fact, very evenly matched in all respects.

Where the World's Telephones Are

PUBLIC SERVICE MAGAZINE states that "the United States has more than 63 per cent of all the telephones in the world."

"Up to Jan. 1, 1922, there were 21,948,960 telephones in the world, and 13,875,183, or 63.2 per cent, were in the United States, and 13,380,219, or 96 per cent of those in the United States, were connected to the Bell System."

"All European countries combined had 25.5 per cent of all the world's telephones. In other words, all of Europe had less than half as many telephones as the United States."

"In considering these comparisons it is interesting to note that in foreign countries telephones are largely under government ownership, and in the United States they are under private ownership. Up to Jan. 1, 1922, 71 per cent of the world's telephones were under private ownership and 29 per cent under government ownership."

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